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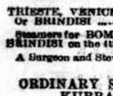

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Vessels.	Tons.	Captains.	SATURDAY, 2 P.M.
* ORIENTAL	5984	L. H. Moule	5th Dec.
R.I. INDIA	3709	H. F. Briscoe	12th "
* THAMES	4278	W. J. Nantes	19th "
R.I. COROMANDEL	4632	F. H. Seymour	26th "
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† CARTHAGE	5198	M. De Horne	2nd Jan.
R.I. ORIENTAL	5284	L. H. Moule	9th "
* SHANNON	4189	E. Crewe	16th "
M.* CALEDONIA	7358	W. R. Andrews	23rd "
† CARTHAGE	5198	M. De Horne	30th "
M.L. PENINSULAR	5797	W. A. Wheler	6th Feb.
* SHANNON	4189	E. Crewe	13th "
M.* INDIA	8003	H. F. Briscoe	20th "
† CARTHAGE	5198	M. De Horne	27th "
M.L. CALEDONIA	7358	W. R. Andrews	6th March.
* SHANNON	4189	E. Crewe	13th "
M.* AUSTRALIA	8001	L. Reeves	20th "
† CARTHAGE	5198	M. De Horne	27th "
M.L. INDIA	8000	H. F. Briscoe	3rd April.
* SHANNON	4189	E. Crewe	10th "
M.L. PENINSULAR	7297	W. A. Wheler	17th "
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LIABILITIES.

Capital paid-up	Rs. 24,57,360 0 0
Reserves and Rest	" 11,06,292 9 8
Deposits	" 1,04,56,910 7 10
Bills and Acceptances	" 5,85,338 14 2
Sundries	" 1,02,026 13 3
Total	Rs. 1,46,65,948 12 11

ASSETS.

Cash	Rs. 21,84,516 2 4
Loans, Bills and Advances	" 1,14,95,568 11
Government and other Authorised Securities	" 4,30,622 14 4
Properties and Dead Stock	" 2,32,036 3 7
Bills Contra, and Sundries	" 322,204 13 3
Total	Rs. 1,46,65,948 12 11

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Indian Banks.		Rs.	Rs.	...	...
Bank of Bombay ...	20,000	200	all	10 p. c.	1,317½
Bank of Bengal ...	15,000	300	all	1 bon.	1,300
Bank of Madras ...	10,000	500	all	10 pr.	1,315
Commercial Bank ...	15,000	100	{ 60	10 pr.	112
Ld., Mdras ...	15,000		{ 75	10. c.	
Exchange Banks.					
Agra ...	120,000	200	all	3 pr. ct.	80
Chartered Mercantile Bank of India, London and China ...	40,000	250	250	7 pr. ct.	227
Commercial Bank of India ...	60,000	125	125	7 pr. ct.	137
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation ...	80,000	$125	all	21-5s.	211
National Bank of India ...	40,000	£25	£12½	5 pr. c.	300
PRESS COMPANIES.				Yearly Divid.	
Akbar ...	20	1,250	1,250	75	1,150
Albert Printing Co., Ld. ...	100	500	all	18 pr. ct.	45
Albert (Karachi) ...	271	1,191	1,191	Rs 30	1,193
Bhavsar ...	121	1,500	1,200	dvd 24	225
Bhownuggree (The) Press & Mandvi Co., Ld. ...	500	250	250	25	275
Bombay Cotton Broker Trade Association Press Co., Ld. ...	1,000	125	125	dv Rs12½	150
Bombay Gujarati Printing and Publishing Co., Ld. ...	800	200	200	11	1874
Bombay Samachar Press Co., Ld. ...	200	200	200	dvd Rs25	230
Chabuk ...	200	1,885	1,849	dvd Rs14½	300
Gaz India ...	130	1,000	75	1,375	
Gnyan Prasarak and Mandvi ...	400	200	...	dvd Rs 6	95
Jam ...	150	5,000	50	25+8	1,115
Kaiwan ...	80	500	500	dvd Rs20	602
Khabardar and Subsidiary ...	45	450	450	dvd Rs10	385
Hingol Press ...					
Khabs Ld ...	700	100	100	dvd Rs11	1224
Khangaum ...	240	450	450	Rs1	539
Khalsa Press Co., Ld. ...	300	200	all	15 pr. ct.	255
Kalsa Jubilee Cotton Ginning and Pressing Co., Ld. ...	320	320	500	53	93
Mercantile ...	1,000	125	125	dvd Rs 1	75
Mofussil Co ...	8,125	400	400	dvd Rs30	340xd
Mumbai Samachar ...	1,000	250	250	15	210
New Bharat ...	1,200	500	500	dvd Rs50	515
New Indian ...	4,000	125	125	dvd Rs 9	140
Prince of Wales ...	100	500	500	2	475
Rast Goftar (Bellasis) ...	600	500	75	2	385
Saraswati ...	300	500	500	20	95
Steel and Press Co ...	100	1,000	1,000	dvd Rs60	2,351
Subh ...	400	1,000	1,000	75	520
Surat Woollen Mills ...	1,200	250	250	Nil	75
Surat City Press Co., Ld. ...	270	200	all	12	220
Vakeel ...	...	1,000	...	10 dvd Rs50	1,100
MISCELLANEOUS.				Half yearly	
Alcock Ashdown and Co. ...	1,720	100	100	dvd Rs 5	325
Asiatic Fire Insurance Co Ld ...	...	1,000	100	...	115
Back Bay Baths ...	500	30	30	1	5
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Dalal and Northern India Paper Mills ...	1,500	200	200	dvd Rs15	200
Dalal Cloth ...					
General Mills ...	2,250	250	250	5 pr. c.	375
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John Rahaman & Co ...	1,500	100	100	10 pr. ct.	207
Kamp & Co ...	4,000	200	175	21	355
Karachi Landing Co ...	500	500	500	37½	21
Mazgaon Docks, Ld. ...	4,000	100	100	dvd Rs15	182
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G.I.P.R. Consol dated Stock ...	—	£100	all	5 p. c.	
B.B. & C.I.R. ...	—	£ 18	...	o.	
Ahmedabad Prantej ...	4,000	500	400	...	
The Tapti Valley ...	28,000	500	50	...	470
SPINNING AND WEAVING COMPANIES				Half year	674
Alliance ...	1,500	1,100	all	610	
Anglo-Indian ...	1,315	100	Nil	45	
Arungabad S. & M. Co., Ld. ...	6 8	1,000	1,000	60	1,00
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Fifth Criminal Sessions, 10 a.m.
Municipal Corporation, 3 p.m.
Bombay Fire Insurances Company, 10, Hummum Street, 3 p.m.
Star of India Mills, adjourned meeting, 4 p.m.
Bombay Foxhounds meet, Rifle Butts.
Roller Skating Rink.

ROYAL BOMBAY YACHT CLUB.—The first ordinary handicap races for yachts and ships' boats will be held on Saturday next, to start at 4-15 p.m. for yachts, and 4 p.m. for ships' boats. Entries will close at 4 p.m. on Friday.

LECTURE.—The lecture, "From Euston Station to Niagara Falls," which had to be abandoned last week on account of failure with the lime light, will be delivered this (Thursday) evening, at 8-30, in the Baptist Church, Byculla.

THE MEHER CHARITABLE DISPENSARY, MAZAGON.—The total number of patients treated during the month of November last was 1,715, the daily average being 57, the number of a new admissions 433—Parsees, 434; Hindus, 582; Mahomedans, 272; and Christians, 127. Sixty-eight children were vaccinated during the month. The number of daily attendance was reduced by two-thirds on account of the plague scare.

REPORTED BURGLARY AT COOMBHARWADA.—Munroop Gunna, a pawn broker, having his shop on the ground floor of a house at 1st Coombharwada, locked the door of his shop on Tuesday afternoon and went out. On his return, at about 10 p.m., the same day, he found the door of the shop open and the lock lying on the ground. On entering the place the Marwaree discovered a box in the shop broken open, and gold and silver ornaments, of the collective value of Rs. 144, which had been pledged with him by several persons, missing therefrom. The door of the shop opens into a small passage, leading to some rooms at the back.

DARING BURGLARY AT MAHIM.—Javerbai, woman, residing at Mahim, reported to the police on Tuesday morning, that about half-past 1 o'clock that morning she was aroused from her sleep by hearing some noise in the room, and on getting up she noticed two men in the room. She raised an alarm, when one of them made off, and on being pursued by her husband, the third pushed him down and ran away. The other thief, who was still in the room, taking advantage of the opportunity, snatched a gold neck ornament, of the value of Rs. 100, from off the woman's neck and absconded. On lighting the lamp it was discovered that an entrance was effected by wrenching out two of the iron bars of the window, and that a small silver goblet, of the value of Rs. 5, was also stolen from the room.

MARRIAGE A FAILURE.—Mr. Allan F. Turner, the coroner, held an inquiry, yesterday, at Lady Jamsetji Road, Lower Mahim, touching the death of a young Hindu woman, named Baya, aged about sixteen years, the wife of one Bahadji. Deceased was deserted by her husband about two months ago, and since then she had been living with a friend in an out-house belonging to one Balgovind, at Mahim. Baya used to work in a mill and earned Rs. 4 per month, which she used to pay to her friend for board and lodging. Deceased frequently complained about her husband having abandoned her, and was in consequence very despondent. On Tuesday morning, she went to work as usual, but returned home in the evening, when she complained of pain in her abdomen and went at the back of the house. Almost immediately afterwards a malee, who was attending some bullocks in the cart, heard a splash in the well behind the house and raised an alarm. The police were informed, and they fished out the well, recovering the body of the deceased an hour after. There were no marks of violence on the body. A verdict of suicide was returned by the jury.

SUICIDE OF A WIDOW.—An inquiry was held, yesterday, at third land, Pinjrapole, by Mr. Turner, the coroner, on view of the body of Bhowsal, a widow, aged thirty-two years, who committed suicide by stepping into a well. The deceased's husband died about three months ago, and since then she had become sad and gloomy. She frequently stated that life was not worth living without her husband, and wished that she had died in his place. On a fortnight ago Bhowbai went to her father's place at Bapoo Khote Street, whence she returned to her son's house about six days ago, and complained of burning pain in her stomach. On Tuesday last she took strychnine mixed in curds and died in consequence. Deceased was a Bhatia, and was seen in her usual mood throughout the day. About half-past 8 o'clock in the evening deceased took her meal and then went and lay down on the wall round the well, and there are projecting stones in it which are used as steps. The jury on the evidence brought in a verdict of suicide.

BOMBAY HORSE SHOW, 1897.

PRELIMINARY PROSPECTUS.

THE show will be held on the oval in March on a date to be hereafter fixed under the distinguished patronage of H. E. Lord Sandhurst, G.C.I.E.

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SADDLE HORSES.

Class A.—Chargers.—1. English and Colonial Chargers 2. Chargers of other Classes. 3. Chargers of Colonial Officers and Light Horse. 4 Chargers of Native Mounted Police.
Class B.—Stallions suitable for Government purposes. 1. Arab Stallions. 2. Other Classes—Horses.
Class C.—Hunters—1. Horses up to 14 stone. 2. Light Weight Hunters, 3. Pony Hunters 14 hands and under.
Class D.—Ladies' Hunters and Hacks.—1. Ladies' Hunters over 14 hands. 2. Ladies' Hunters under 14 hands. 3. Ladies' Hacks over 14 hands. 4. Ladies' Hacks under 14 hands.
Class E.—Polo Ponies—1. Arabs. 2. Other Classes.
Class F.—Children's Ponies, 12 hands and under.

HARNESS HORSES.

Class G.—1. Single Harness, Arabs (Horses or Ponies). 2. Single Harness Arabs other Classes, over 14 hands. Previous win mrs barred. 3. Ponies, Single Harness, other Classes, 14 hands and under, 4. Champion Class for Horses or Ponies, three-quarters mast.
Class H.—1. Horses Double Harness. All Horses which have never won a Prize at any Show. 2. All Horses and Ponies.
Class K.—1. Teams. 2. Tandems.

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1. For the best turn-out—Pair.. 2. For the best turn-out—Single Horse or Pony.
For Colonial Horses imported by, and the property of Importers at the time of Exhibition.
For the best Horse in the Show. For the best Pony in the Show. For the best Country-bred Horse or Pony in the Show.
Jumping Competition,—1. For Horses. 2. Ponies 14 hands and under. 3. Open High Jump.
Driving Competition.—1. Teams, 2. Pairs. 3. Tandems, 4. Single.

SHOEING COMPETITION.

Exhibits.—Prizes and Diplomas will be given for the Exhibits of Harness, Saddlery, Carriages and Horse Furniture in general, both for Indian Manufactures and Imported Articles.

CONDITIONS.

1. There will be two prizes given for each class, but extra prizes may be awarded in any class at the discretion of the Committee.
2. No second prize will be given in any class unless four animals are entered.
3. An entrance fee of Rs. 2 will be charged for every animal entered in each class, except in the Driving Competition, when the Charge will be Rs. 3, and in the classes for Native Mounted Police and Shoeing Competitions, Re. 1 only for each entry.
4. All entries to be made to the Honorary Secretary, Bombay Horse Show, or to the Honorary Treasurer, Sirdar's Mansions, Apollo Bunder.
5. No entrances will be accepted unless accompanied by entry fees.
6. All animals entered for competition must be in the Show Yard on such days and during such hours as may be appointed by the Committee. The Committee are requested to refer to Daily Papers for times-tables of the judging and competitions.
7. Prizes may be withheld or reduced if in the opinion of the Committee the exhibits in any class do not attain a fair standard of excellence or if there are less than three bona fide competitors.
8. Arrangements will be made for stabling all horses from outstations at a moderate rate.
9. Any animal, a prize will forfeit their right to them if they remove their horses before the hour appointed by the Committee.
10. Arrangements will be made with the G. I. P., B. B. & C. I. and S. M. Railways for the granting of the usual concessions as to conveyance of horses and carriages.
11. All Chargers to by in appointments, horse in drill order.
12. The words "Hunters" and "Hacks" in Classes C and D mean horses suitable for field purposes and "Stallions" means horses suitable for Stallions.
13. All entered as Polo Ponies will be exercised with stick and ball over a course laid out by the Committee.
14. In the Jumping Competition prizes will be given for form shown over a variety of fences.
15. Hunters and Ponies in all classes (except those for Driving Competitions) and complete turn sents in classes for best turn-outs must be the bona fide property of Exhibitors, but any person may be employed to ride or drive.
16. In class A 3, Adjutants' horses are not eligible for competition.
17. No horse to be shown more than once in any class.
18. Driving Competitions are to test the skill of the driver and the training of Exhibitors' horses or turnouts. In these classes no professional coachman will be allowed to compete.
19. Special Classes for best Horse or Pony in the Show it must be under-tool that the animal is the best for the purpose for which it is required, consequently it should be shown in the class specially adapted for that purpose, i.e., saddle horses should be ridden and harness horses driven. No animal can be entered in these classes unless already exhibited in one of the ordinary classes.
20. All animals must before being awarded a prize be passed practically sound for the purpose for which they are required.
21. Shoeing Competitions to be done on the ground. Field forge and anvil will be supplied. Shoes to be made and fitted.
22. The Show will be held on the Oval.
23. Stalls will be provided for exhibits of carriages and horse furniture on terms which can be ascertained from the Honorary Secretary hereafter.

F. A. PREVOST, Honorary Secretary,
Sermanent Local Committee.

THERE is a marked improvement in Mr. Scherieff Harmston's tiger tamer this morning (Wednesday week), and there is every hope that he will recover from his injuries, unless, of course, blood poisoning set in. He can smoke a little now, and that is a good sign, says the Rangoon *Times*. Every care is being taken of him, and this morning was quite cheerful while he was being dressed by Abdul Hak, Dr. Johnstone's assistant. The tiger has cooled down and seems quite contented now. The Circus management say that the brute has been interfered with, struck at, or that some one has been pestering him, as he was never seen in such an angry mood before. He was born in the cage, and has been brought up with great care and kindness. Scherieff has not had him under his care very long, and although he has jumped at the bars rather ferociously when the tamer was left the cage, yet he never displayed such anger as he did on Friday night when the accident occurred.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

A COLLISION occurred on Saturday on the Darjeeling railway near Kurseong, some native passengers being injured.

THE steamer Nubia which has arrived in Calcutta from London brought nine thousand maunds of Russian and Californian oats.

THE Committee appointed by Government to report on the best site for the proposed wagon ferry for the Bengal-Nagpore Railway have recommended a spot near Shalimar which was proposed by Captain Petley and accepted by the Port Commissioners.

THE *Englishman* gives particulars of the raid on the Assam frontier. The Chanj raided upon lies some three miles inside the inner line and is built on land contiguous to the Koddom Tea Garden. The murdered man Podu Meeri and his family had been settled in the plains for many years and Podu had been employed by the Manager of Koddom as a contractor for clearing the land. Last cold weather he employed some Abors from Apatang, a place about three days' march from the garden, to do this work; and it is supposed they were dissatisfied with the wages they received and that this led to the raid being committed. The six people carried away are still prisoners, and no active steps have yet been taken to rescue them.

WHILE the North-Eastern monsoon is still continuing to do its duty most meritoriously in the South, another cold weather storm has been working across from Baluchistan to North-Western India. The Western Punjab and Rajputana have received most of its favours, but the rain arrived with the Viceroy at Baroda on Saturday, and it has extended as far as Agra, which had clouded skies with a drizzle on the same day. The depression is a slight one, and the amounts received are generally insignificant, but the damp cloudy weather will of itself do good to the young crops in the ground, while the state of the weather over Persia and Baluchistan gives promise of more of the same sort to follow.

ACCORDING to official returns common rice in Bengal is now from 80 to 100 per cent. dearer than last cold weather. In Behar wheat is 75 per cent. dearer and maize as dear again.

THE result of the inland movement of the cyclonic depression recently notified in our columns as having formed in the south-west of the Bay of Bengal has been to give heavy rain in the neighbourhood of Renigunta causing serious damage to the railway lines in that locality. Several breaches are reported as having occurred on the South Indian Railway between Renigunta and Pakala and two bridges on the north-west main line of the Madras Railway have been destroyed. The full extent of the damage is not yet known, but all through traffic has been temporarily stopped and mails and passengers to and from Madras are being diverted *via* Guntakal and Bangalore over the Southern Mahratta Railway.

NEWS has been received by the Government of India from the Baluchistan agency that Captain Tighe, Political Agent in Southern Baluchistan, has met with opposition at the hands of a tribe in Las Beyla. He had proceeded from Karachi to Beyla with an escort of two companies of the 3rd Baluch, to make enquiries into an affair there. According to news received, which is not in detail, while Captain Tighe was in a village fifteen miles from Beyla, with twelve men only, some hostile tribesmen interposed between him and his Baluch escort. The Jam of Las Beyla had to proceed with troops to the assistance of Captain Tighe. A later telegram states this account to be exaggerated, and Captain Tighe has arrived safely at Beyla.

"THE general impression locally in regard to the effects of the recent rain round about Cawnpore," writes a correspondent, "is, that the fall was sufficient to admit of sowings on lands that have already been tilled, but not so in the case of unploughed lands. Still it will help greatly even where more moisture is needed. The immediate result of the showers that fell was a general lowering of prices; to the extent of ¼ seer on wheat and 1 seer on all other food-grains. On Wednesday last wheat had fallen from 16 seers to 14 seers per rupee, but yesterday it hardened again, and the rate is now 7½ seers: dealers say it will not go lower again till March, when the new crop begins to come in, and this is very likely a correct view, if credence is to be placed in the rumours as to the lowness of stocks; certainly practically no supplies of wheat are arriving. *Til*-seed has been steady for some time at 7½ seers, and as this crop has been a fairly good one, it has served considerably to keep prices of food-grain from going higher: as it did it goes much further than wheat, so that when it can be bought as cheap as the latter it can be used at a saving to the consumer."

DURING the three months ending 31st March 1896, 171 persons were killed on Indian railways and 183 injured. Of these 76 deaths were those of trespassers, and 24 were cases of suicide. The number of accidents is greater, and that of deaths less than for the corresponding period of 1895. The increase in the number of persons injured was mainly due to an accident at Chooadangah on the Eastern Bengal State Railway, in which 32 passengers were injured.

THE Governor General in Council has sanctioned the application to the Port Commissioners' railway of the General Rules for open lines of railway, and has granted similar sanction with reference to the Gogra-Ghat-Bhurwal, Turtipur-Benares, Mau-Rewilganj and Mau-Azamgarh extensions, and the Gonda-Bulrampur-Tulsipur, Salempur-Barhaj and Syedpur-Gazipur Branches of the Bengal and North-Western Railway, and to the Hajipur-Katihar extension of the Tirhut State Railway.

THE Rail-borne traffic of the Central Provinces for the June, or hot weather quarter of this year, is fairly in agreement with that of the parallel quarter of the preceding year. While imports showed a minus quantity of two lakhs of maunds, exports showed a plus quantity of considerably over two lakhs of maunds. It is not satisfactory to note that there has been a gradual descent in the total trade done during this particular quarter each year practically since 1891. But wails wheat and food stuffs generally have declined because of continuously bad harvests coal exports have increased at a steady rate.

A THUNDERSTORM broke over Lahore during the early hours of Saturday morning, and a smart shower of rain fell. Unfortunately, says the local paper, the fall lasted only a few minutes, and the total amount registered was only 07 inch. There was another slight shower in the evening. The result was seen in a further slackening of grain prices in the city: wheat selling at from 14 to 9½ seers to the rupee, which is far satisfactory: but we may again ask why the Relief Fund Committee, appointed in Lahore weeks ago, has so far done nothing. Thousands of maunds of grain have been despatched from Sind to stations beyond Lahore within the last week, and if the Committee had chosen, three or four thousand maunds might have been on sale in Lahore city at much easier rates than have prevailed, to the great relief of widespread and very real distress. We have been told that the official element on the Committee objected to such a course, on the ground that no interference with trade could be allowed. The objection, if it ever was made, is merely ridiculous. It was not a question of Government interference but of the most advantageous and business-like expenditure of funds subscribed by the public for the relief of existing distress. The business of the Committee in the circumstances was not to take pains that its actions should not violate measures of political economy wholly inapplicable to the situation, but to get as much grain as quickly as possible, at as cheap a rate as possible, to as many poor families as possible.

COMPARATIVE statements of the price of food grains in Bengal, which have just been issued by Government, show that the price of common rice is between 80 and 100 per cent. higher, and in some districts, especially in those of Orissa, more than 100 per cent. higher than at the corresponding period of last year. This latter circumstance is largely due to the heavy exports which have recently taken place from Orissa. The prices of wheat have gone up by 75 per cent. in Behar, while those of maize have generally speaking, more than doubled.

PRINCE OBOLENSKY, a well-known authority on agricultural matters, writes in the "Novoe Vremya" proposing to export cheap Russian wheat and rye to the famine-stricken districts in India. According to Russian statistics, Russian wheat could be delivered at Bombay from Odessa at one rouble eleven kopeks per pood, sixpence cheaper than Californian wheat. He says:—"Instead of feeding millions of rats and mice why not feed millions of human beings in India who are threatened with starvation? In the interior the price of rye has gone down from forty to twenty-four kopeks per pood, and enormous quantities are on hand unrequired. These could be shipped from Black Sea ports to Singapore in a month." The Prince urgently advises the Government to take the initiative and to arrange with Anglo-Indian purchasers. Following this proposal the "Novoe Vremya" and the "Viedomosti" issue stirring appeals to the Russian public to send relief to the famine-stricken Hindus. The "Novoe Vremya" reminds its readers of the generous assistance received by Russia in 1840, and the "Viedomosti" points out that Russia's historical and close connection with the East makes it natural and becoming to help the starving masses in India and thereby prove that she has better instincts than mere greed.

STRANDING OF S. S. BAHADHURI.

A MARINE COURT-OF-ENQUIRY.

YESTERDAY, at the Esplanade Police Court, a marine court-of-enquiry, consisting of Mr. J. Sanders-Slater, Chief Presidency Magistrate, President; Captain J. Robertson, of the B. I. S. N. Co.'s steamer Kapurthala; and Captain J. Naile, of the s. s. Jupiter, was held to inquire into the circumstances under which the Bahadhuri stranded between Bait and Dwarka on 7th November last. Mr. F. A. Little, Government Solicitor, led evidence, and conducted the proceedings on behalf of the Crown; while Mr. Brown, solicitor, appeared on behalf of Captain Fairweather, Commander of the Shepherd and Co.'s s. s. Bahadhuri. The court, on going through the papers relating to the incident, was of opinion that the proceedings were likely to involve the question of cancellation or suspension of the master's certificate, and two additional assessors were appointed under section 13 of Act V. of 1883. They were Captain Phillips, of s. s. Chilka, and Captain Barlan, of the s. s. Afghan.

Being examined by Mr. Little, Captain William Turnbull Fairweather, Commander of the Bahadhuri, said that he held a certificate of competency as a master and pilot. For the last thirty years he had been in sea, and the last ten years he was a master of steamships. He had been master of coasting steamers for the last thirteen months, before which he had been in command of the s. s. Golder, s.s. Henry Holekow, s.s. King Arthur, s. s. Bahadoor, and s. s. Taff. The Bahadhuri was 829 tons register; she was steel-built, schooner-rigged, and had seven water-tight bulk-heads, and had been registered at Glasgow. She carried twelve hundred and twenty passengers in the home trade, and twenty-four in the foreign trade. Before the accident she had been surveyed in Bombay during the current year. Besides the captain, there were three officers, navigating officers on board the Bahadhuri. There were three engineers, one electrician, and a lascar crew. On the Bahadhuri there were fifty hands all told. He had on board three compasses. The standard one was by White Thompson, a card compass of the latest patent, the other two being spirit compasses. The standard compass was adjusted on 4th October last. Witness produced the deviation card of the compass before the court. He had no reason to doubt the standard compass; it gave satisfactory results, and very good courses. As it had not been adjusted by Captain Crowder, he did it himself. He had no reason even now to doubt it. The owners had not tested the compasses since. Since the accident the Bahadhuri had made three voyages up and down the coast. The coast voyages navigators were only a few hours out of sight of land. So observations were treated to more than compass bearings. The Bahadhuri steered well by steam-gear. It had gone to Karrachi, and left it on the 6th ultimo, at 1-35 p.m., for Mandvi. (Witness produced a track in court by which he worked during the voyage. It was India, West Coast, Gulf of Kutch, corrected up to January 1893.) A duplicate chart, belonged to the witness, but a new one was also on the steamer. He also had the book "West Coast of Hindustan Pilot, 3rd edition, 1891." There was also a deep sea lead, weighing about 27 lbs., and a line, weighing about 7lbs. On leaving Karachi the ship drew 14 ft. forward and 16 ft. aft. She had 8 ft. free-board. She drew 18ft. 6 in. when fully loaded an even keel. He reached Mandvie at 6-30 a.m. on the 7th, and left the port at 9 a.m. with 120 passengers and a cargo. She was going twelve knots an hour. At 9-20 she grounded. He reversed the engines. The tide was falling. At 3 p.m. he had 9ft. at 5 he had 6ft. of water amidship. At 10-35 the ship floated, when the water rose to over ten feet. The foggy weather at the time of grounding deceived witness as to the distance from the land, which was the cause of the accident. He thought he was four miles further from the land; whereas he was really only two miles from land. The steamer had not deviated from her course he ran. There was a swift current of three to four knots, which was at its strongest at tide time off Bait in the creek. This drove him ashore. The usual rate of speed was twelve knots per hour. He could make any bearing when altering the course before the ship went aground. He generally altered the course two hours after leaving Mandvie. He generally sighted the Bait light-house when about fifteen miles from it, after leaving Mandvie. After the accident he lowered one boat, and sent the 2nd and 3rd officers, who were natives, to sound round the ship. About 1-30 he sent the second officer in a boat to Dwarka, on receiving further directions when eight or nine miles to get lighters to lighten the ship. He did not run out anchors. The first lighter arrived about 10 o'clock, but he did not discharge any cargo. Six lighters in all had arrived. The engines were not used in addition to the steam. The ship was not in need of assistance being required. At 10-30, when the ship floated, he ordered the lighters to cast off. Four did so, but two refused, and wanted to be towed. He towed those about a mile, and they got under their own head to the west. He then went full speed. There was a lot of foam; he stopped the engines and left the bridge. He went to the lower deck and found the two lighters made fast to the ship had carried away. Their masts had become entangled. The man on the lighters came on board by the gangway ladder. One of the lighters was righted; the other broke adrift. He believed it was not recovered. He tore up the anchor, and went out a little, and lay at it till daylight, when he went into Dwarka. This port was a dangerous place to enter into at night or in a fog. From Dwarka he proceeded to Porebunder, and thence to Bombay. The ship was in no water. She was docked in Bombay, and it was found she had not sustained damage.

Examined by Mr. Brown, Captain Fairweather said that he always ran between Mandvie and Dwarka at twelve knots an hour. The company's steamers ran by the time-table, leaving Mandvie, at 9 a.m., and Dwarka at 1 p.m. In going from Mandvie to Dwarka he did not allow for the tide, but always made a considerable allowance for the tide without using the lead. All the other steamers of the company did the same. Some of the steamers ran more than twelve knots per hour on this course. Soundings could not have been taken with the lines he had while running at the rate of twelve knots an hour. It would have been necessary to stop the ship to take the soundings. He had never done so on this course, nor had the other captains in his line. Lead was only used when he was going in and out of ports except Bombay.

Mr. James Ferguson, Engineer and Shipwright Surveyor to the Port of Bombay, said that he had examined the steamer on the 10th of last month in Mereweather Dry Dock. He saw slight indentations on the port side and one slight indentation on the starboard side.

Mr. Nathu Ebrahim, second officer of the ship, was next examined.

The enquiry was adjourned, after some more evidence was recorded.

HIGH COURT.—ORIGINAL SIDE.

(Before the Hon. MR. JUSTICE FULTON.)

RAI RUTTONBAI VS. DAMODHER MEGHJI.

IN this suit the plaintiff claimed from the defendant Rs. 6,547-7-7, being the amount due at the foot of the adjusted and signed account up to 30th day of October 1895, and for interest thereon at the rate of 12 annas per cent per mensum up to judgment and there-after, at 6 per cent. per annum until payment. The plaint stated that plaintiff had some years ago lent and advanced certain sums of money to defendant, and his deceased brother, and accounts in respect thereof were from time to time adjusted and signed by the defendant and his deceased brother. The last adjustment was made by the defendant on 19th October, 1895, and was signed by the defendant on his own behalf, and on behalf of his deceased brother's estate, when a balance of Rs. 6,924-10-7 was found due to the plaintiff on such account. On the plaintiff's mehta being examined, it was found that the original loan of Rs. 1,200 was made in Samvat 1924. Out of that defendant paid Rs. 750, the last payment being made two or three years after the commencement of the account. The sum now shown was made up by adding interest. The defendant adjusted the account every year. It was also found that the adjustments were made from the year 1930, Samvat, till the last adjustment of 18th October 1895. The fact of the adjustments being made and signed from 1930, Samvat, to 18th October, 1895, was not disputed by the defendant. Mr. Chunilal Setalvad, instructed by Messrs. Brown and Moir, appeared for the plaintiff; while Mr. Karsondas Chubildas, barrister-at-law, appeared for the defendant as *amicus curiæ*.

Mr. Karsondas, on behalf of the defendant, submitted that the various adjustments signed by the defendant and annexed to the plaint were mere acknowledgments of an old debt, but they could not form the basis of a fresh suit. There must be a distinct promise to pay; and the acknowledgments in question did not satisfy the requirements of clause 3, section 25 of the Indian Contract Act. In support of this argument the learned counsel cited the judgment of Sir Charles Far

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SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

THE barque Grosvenor, 516 tons, Captain C W Brebner, arrived in harbour yesterday from Mauritius (27th October), with a cargo of sugar.

THE B I S N Co's s s Scindia, 2,029 tons, Captain W H Hill, will sail to-day for Calcutta and coast ports, with a general cargo and deck passengers

THE s s Osborne, 2,662 tons, Captain P Rattle, arrived in harbour yesterday from Moji (11th November), with a cargo of 4,101 tons of coal. The vessel is consigned to Messrs W and A Graham and Co.

VESSELS IN DOCKS.—DECEMBER 2.

PRINCE'S DOCK.

Shd.	Vessels.	Ton.	Capt.	Destination.	Date.*	Agents.
A	Jumna	2199	Hay	Antwerp	7-12	Bombay Co
B	Mikado	2306	Pickering	Hull	F	Muir & Co
C	Hoseinee	993	Hughes	R S Ports	B	P S N Co
D	Clan Maclean	1742	Price	Cor. Coast	F	Muir & Co
K	Pekin	3134		N F	H	G Joosub
L	Satrunji	347	Abmed	Catch	3-12	Shepherd & Co
M	Ismfee	873	Ally	Aden		A Ahmed
O	Clan Alpine	1348	Tomes	Cor. Coast	F	Muir & Co
P	Mozaffari	1176	Rowell	N F	B & P	S N Co

HARBOUR WALL.

Mahanudi	547	Adam	Karachi	1-12	Shepherd & Co
Kaveri	553	Esmaili	Bhownugger	1-12	Do.
Bahadur	829	Fairweather	Cutch	3-12	Do.

VICTORIA DOCK.

Shd.	Vessels.	Ton.	Capt.	Destination.	Date.	Agent.
3	R Rubattino	3018	Mattio	Genoa	10-12	C Barbero
4	Letimbro	1417	Belsito	China	8-12	C Barbero
5	Adagio	3240	Dancy	China	P	O S N Co
8	Vindobona	2689	Belien	Trieste	7-12	A Lloyds
11	Kalimdi	84		Darantar		Shepherd & Co
12	Ant. Hall	2294	McFee	Liverpool	1-12	R Bates & Co
14	Dumra	759	Russell	Karachi	5-12	M M & Co
15	Kapurtinala	721	Hoogerboon	Karachi		M M & Co
16	Goa		Piquinot	Zanzibar	5-12	M M & Co

* Probable date of departure.

Time Ball drops at Prince's Dock at Noon or Greenwich meantime, Th. 8m. 14·9s.

The Time Ball over the Clock Tower at the Bombay Castle continues to be dropped regularly at 1 p.m. of Colaba meantime, or 8h. 8m. 44·9s of Greenwich meantime.

ARRIVALS.

Dec.	Vessel.	Commander.	From.
2	Osborne (s)	Rettle	Moji, Nov 11.
	Grosvenor (s)	Brebner	Mauritius, Oct 27.
	Britannia(transport)	Parfitt	Southampton, Nov 11

The steamer Scindia, Captain Hill, obtained her port-clearance yesterday for Calcutta, &c.

The steamer Vulcan, entered for loading yesterday for Havre, Dunkirk, Antwerp and Liverpool.

CALCUTTA.

Nov. ARRIVALS.

28	Okara s	Jacobs	Bombay, Oct 31.
	Palamcota s	Brown	Rangoon, Nov 25.
29	Mascotte s	Ross	Bombay, Nov 18.
	County of Edinburgh sp	Conteur	Singapore, Oct 13.
	Britannia s	Nielsen	Singapore, Nov 21.
	Shahjehan s	Edge	Rangoon, Nov 23.
	Chung Sang s	Hutler	Hongkong, Nov 13.

DEPARTURES.

Nov. 28.—Ship Crofton Hall.
Nov. 29.—Steamers Nizam, Arratoon Apcar, Mount Tabor and Nerbudda.

DAILY IMPORTS.—DECEMBER 2.

FROM LIVERPOOL.

Aston Hall s—15 cases soap, Dajibhoy Dadabhoy; 10 cases tobacco manufactured, Goodaly Russooljee; 75 cases stout, Merwanjee Nusserwanjee Sons and Co; 60 cases chemicals, Duke and Sons; 250 boxes soap, and 150 boxes candles, Abdoolally Shaikadam.

FROM GLASGOW.

Australia s—2 hogsheads whisky, 2 casks brandy, and 1 hogshead wine, T Tinguombe and Co.

FROM LONDON.

Peninsular s—19 cases stationery, N Cumroodin; 7 cases biscuits, 6 cases cheese, and 5 cases ham, &c. Eduljee Ruttonjee and Brothers; 49 cases cheese, and 3 cases ham, Eduljee Bezonjee, 10 cases wine and sherry, Dramjeebhoy Cowasjee; 53 cases wine, and 4 cases brown paper, D Dadabhoy.

FROM HAMBURG.

Peninsular s—3 cases medicine, M Munjee and Co; 1 pipe wine M Russee and Co.

FROM BORDEAUX.

Aston Hall s—34 cases liquor, Dhunjeebhoy Cowasjee.
Peninsular s—31 cases brandy, Sirabjee Cowasjee.

FROM ANTWERP.

Peninsular s—15 cases brandy, D P Bathia and Co; 55 cases brandy, Nowrojee Ardeseer and Sons; 46 cases brandy, Dhunjeebhoy Cowasjee.

FROM TRIESTE.

Imperatrix s—10 cases glass-bangles, S D Karrimjee; 10 cases glass, bangles, Tookojee Pooniee; 11 cases matches, A Shaikadam; 12 bales brown paper, J Jairowjee; 5 cases glass beads, N Ramchunder and Co.

FROM VENICE.

Peninsular s—20 cases glass beads, D Mody and Co; 8 cases glass beads, M K Moola Kaderbhoy.

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

ARRIVALS.—DECEMBER 2.

Newburg, Lt-Col, Bo, R A, on leave, from Kamptee.
Stewart, Lieut, Bo, Comt Dept, on leave, from Poona.

DEPARTURES.—NOVEMBER 28.

Daunt, Lt, Bo, 3rd B I, off leave, to Mhow.

NOVEMBER 30.

Westropp, Capt, Bo, A C G, on duty, to Ahmedabad.
Milne, Surg-Major, Bo, I M S, on leave, to Calcutta.

DECEMBER 1.

Berthon, Lt, Bo, 5th B L I, on duty, to Poona.
Bayly, Major, Dist Staff, on leave, to Karachi.
Carlyon, Lieut, Bo, 2nd B L I, on duty, to rejoin, to Sirur.
Jones, Surg-Capt, Bo, 29th B L, to join, to Mhow.
Eaton, Surg-Col, Bo, A M S, on inspection duty, to Bhuj.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER ARTILLERY.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS BY MAJOR G. W. ROUGHTON, COMMANDING R. V. A.

Bombay, 3rd December, 1896.

1. There will be Gun drill at the Fort, Head-quarters to-night at 8-45 p.m., and at the Byculla Head-quarters at 8-30 p.m.

2. The Range Finding class will meet to-morrow morning at 7 a.m. outside the Bombay Arsenal Gate.

3. There will be class firing at Cooria to-morrow morning. Trains leave Victoria Terminus at 6, 6-40, and 7-5 a.m. Bombay time, and Byculla at 6-40 and 7-20 a.m. each train.

4. The Corps will parade on the Oval in front of the Club premises, Rampart Row, on Saturday next, the 5th instant, at 7 p.m. sharp, and proceed to Colaba (Pilot Bunder) to continue the Annual Gun Target Practice.

Dress.—Drill order with arms, putties to be worn.
Every member is requested to attend.
By favour of the Superintendent, P. and O. S. N. Company, a steam launch will leave the Apollo Bunder at 4-15 punctually on each day, on which Gun Target practice takes place for Pilot Bunder, commencing on Saturday, the 5th instant, and members intending to avail themselves of this method of conveyance to the Range.

5. The following rule will be observed at practice.—No man will lay a gun unless there has been passed by the Adjutant on the result of preliminary instruction except in the case of men previously passed who will be examined at the gun before firing.

The following are qualified in No. 2 Company:—Sergts. Marsland, Zurhorst, Coates and Moffatt, Corpl. Wood, Brs. Long and Wilson, Grs. Rean, Millar and Hodge.

By order,
A. J. PEILE, Lieut. R. A.
Adjutant R. V. A.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER RIFLES.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS BY COLONEL R. S. BROWN, V.D., COMMANDING B. V. R.

Bombay, 3rd December, 1896.

1. The Regiment will parade for a Field Day ("attack") on Saturday, the 5th instant, as follows:—

A., B., C., D., E., F., G., and I. Companies—(attacking force) at Mahim Railway Station, at 3-29 p.m. (Bombay time.)
H., K., and M. Companies—(defending force) at Matunga Railway Station, at 3-29 p.m. (Bombay time.)

Dress.—Drill order—Khaki.

(2) Ten rounds of blank ammunition per man will be issued on parade. Pouches to be inspected on falling in.

(3) Attendance on this parade to count as a double Commanding Officer's parade for the Commandant's prizes.

(4) Special carriages will be attached to the train leaving Colaba at 3 p.m. (Bombay time). Railway fares will be paid for those joining this train at Colaba, Church Gate, Marine Lines, Churni Road, Grant Road and Mahaluxmi stations. Members travelling from other stations by the G. I. P. Railway will pay their own fares which will be refunded.

2. The following member having rejoined is taken on the strength of the Corps from this date and posted to B Company:—No. 3675 Vol. H. A. Limpus.

By order,
C. MOSS, Captain,
Adjutant B. V. R.

NOTICE.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER RIFLES CRICKET CLUB.

The first dance of the Club will take place in the Town Hall, on Friday, the 11th instant at 9 p.m.

Fancy or Evening Dress.

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Lieut. H. C. Rice, Apollo Bunder, Fort.
Sergt.-Major J. H. Downing, Head-quarters, Bo. Vol. Rifles.
Qr.-Mr. Sergt. W. Stephens, Stephens & Sons, Girgaum.
Colr.-Sergt. H. Black, Govt. Tel. Office, Rythownie.
Colr.-Sergt. R. F. Smith, Grants Buildings, Colaba.
Colr.-Sergt. W. J. Knight, Cathedral High School.
Sergt. W. G. Nicoll, Victoria Buildings, Fort.
Sergeant S. F. Pearcey, Government Dockyard, Fort.
Corporal G. F. Lund and Blodgley, Fort.
Volunteer H. Row, Hops Hall Estate, Mazagon.
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Others Rs. 4 to include one lady.
Extra lady Re. 1.
Light refreshments will be provided.

PROVINCIAL GAZETTE.

(*Punjab Gazette*, November, 28.)

MR A B Kattlewell, Asst Commr, Peshawar, is appointed to officiate as Depy Commr of Hazara, with effect from the afternoon of the 2nd Nov 1896, vice Mr C E F Bunbury.

On being relieved of his duties as Offg Dist Judge of Dera Ismail Khan, Lieut R M Lowis, Asst Commr, is placed in charge of the Tank Sub-division of that district.

The Rev A Ferrier, Senior Chaplain, Church of Scotland, whose services have been placed at the disposal of this Govt, is posted to Umballa.

On relinquishing charge of the Mooltan District, Mr C H Atkins, Asst Commr, is transferred to the Dera Ismail Khan Dist, and placed in charge of the Bhakkar sub-division.

Lieut A A Crookshank, R E, Asst Engr, 3rd grade, on return from four months' furlough out of India, reported his arrival at the Head-quarters of the Supdt Engr, 3rd Circle, on the forenoon of the 6th Nov, 1896, and was posted to the Dera Ismail Khan Provincial Division.

HIGH COURT.—DECEMBER 3.

(Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice B. TYABJEE.)

Suits for Hearing and Final Disposal.

For Judgment.

439-95—Payne G and S—Damjee Jadhowjee vs Lakhmibai—Edgelow and G.

For Consent Decree.

50-95—M H Khan—Bai Kamabai Saheb Raji Shirke vs Byramsha Hirjibhoy Kotewall and others—Nanu and H.

Postponed Long Causes.

930-95—Bhimjee Govindjee and others vs The Purshottam S and M Co Ld and others—Bland and N—Part heard.
287-96—Payne G and S—Hassam Dawood vs Mahomed Bhikhan—Dikshit and D.
129-96—Little and Co—John Alexander Smith and others vs The Carpet-M-n-Trading and Agency Co Ld—Daphtary and F.
481-91—Tyabjee D and Co—Rassoobai vs Toolekhabai—Bhaishanker and K.
650-94—Payne G and S—Hergovondas Mohanjee vs Pandurang Krishnaji Bhojnay and others—Crawford B and Co.
578-95—Shamrao P (for pauper)—Abdoola Futteh Mohomed vs Osman Abboo and another—Payne G and S and In person.
409-96—Brown and M—Ardesir Eduljee Kerkeria vs Cooverbai Nanu and H.
304-94—M H Khan (for pauper)—Latiff Hajee Aboobaker vs Hajee Adum Hajee Joomas and others—James Peace an In person.
548-94—Nanu and F—Narranji Ebji vs Ramjee Ebji.
477-96—Muljee and R—Savitribai vs Jugannath Ramjee and others—J C Cama and Muljee and R.

(Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice FULTON.)

Suits for Hearing and Final Disposal.

Postponed Long Cause.

89-96—Mansukhlal D and J—Dwarkanath Sadanand Kale vs Munchersjee Bomanjee Chotia—Tyabjee D and Co—Part heard.

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE

WEDNESDAY EVENING, DEC. 2.

THE Indian Council allotted 3 lakhs of extra Bills on Bombay yesterday at 1s. 3 7-32d.—an advance of 1-32d. on the price obtained for the extra allotments made on Monday. The Exchange Banks' buying rate in London on India remained at 1s. 3d. per rupee.

Consols declined 5-16ths per cent., returning to Saturday's quotation of 111⅛; and Indian Sterling Loan was ¼ per cent. lower, at 119¼. The market rate of discount on short London Bills was reduced 1-8th per cent. to 3½ per cent., that on 6 months' sight Indian Bank Paper remaining at 3 per cent. The price of 3½ per cent. Rupee Securities was unchanged at £63 1-8; and that of Bar Silver, at 29 7-8d. per oz.; but in New York, the metal was 1-8th cent. dearer, at 65 1-8 cents per oz; with demand exchange on London ¼ cent. lower, at 4·86¼ dollars. Coal Freights from Cardiff to Bombay via the Canal had declined to 18s. per ton. French Rentes in Paris were ¼ per cent. higher, at 103; with Exchange on London unaltered.

The quantity of Wheat afloat for the United Kingdom on Friday was 2,370,000 quarters; or 130,000 quarters more than was upon the water at the end of the previous week.

Yellow Guzerat Rapeseed was quoted in London yesterday at 42½s. per 416 lbs., sellers Canal, April-May shipment, to Havre, Antwerp, and Dunkirk, tone of the market dull; Yellow Cawnpore Rapeseed, at 42s. per 416 lbs., sellers Canal, November-December shipment, to Havre, Antwerp, and Dunkirk, market flat; Brown Rapeseed, at 40½s. per 416 lbs., sellers Canal, December-January shipment to the same ports, market quiet; and Linseed at 35½s. per 416 lbs., sellers Canal, same shipment, to the same ports, market quiet.

An advance of 1-32d. took place in the price of Mid.-American Cotton on the spot in Liverpool yesterday, at 4 3 8d. per lb.; while Arrivals were 3·64d. lower for November deliveries, at 4·22d., though higher to the same extent in the most distant positions at 4 13-64d. The market closed firm; Surats firm; and Arrivals quiet but steady; the day's Sales having been 10,000 bales. East Indians nil. The day's Imports were 18,000 bales. The Manchester market was steady.

In New York yesterday, the price of ready Mid-Uplands was still unchanged at 7 11-16 cents per lb; but February Futures were 3 points higher at 7·70 cents. The Receipts at the U. S. Ports were 49,000 bales; and the figures for this season's Receipts to date, give the following comparison with those of the two previous years:—

	1896.	1895.	1894.
Tuesday's Receipts	49,000	45,000	61,000
Three days' do.	159,000	121,000	183,000
Since 1st September	3,681,000	2,548,000	3,861,000

A small business has been reported in our local Cotton market to-day, especially for shippers' account, and prices have declined Re. 1 to Rs. 2 per candy, all round, the feeling having been steady at the fall. Exporters have only bought 700 New Bengal at Rs. 148-66, according to quality while the Mills have taken 1050 bales in all, consisting of 200 Pachora, at Rs. 169-70; 100 Julgaum, at Rs. 173; and 50 Bengal Ginned, all new ready Cotton; and of old stuff, 400 Kurrachee Ginned, at Rs. 160; and 300 Barampore at Rs. 180 per candy.

WHEAT AND SEEDS have remained steady markets, with a moderate export business passing, and prices all unchanged.

The Receipts of Produce into Bombay yesterday were as follows:—

Cotton	2,971 bales.
Wheat	7,180 cwts.
Linseed	547 ,,
Gingelly	4,800 ,,
Castorseed	1,530 ,,
Rice	1,346 ,,

FREIGHTS are unchanged. Business has been reported to-day for Antwerp, February shipment, at 11s. per ton. Holders of tonnage for March-April shipment to Antwerp, offer to book at 12s. per ton; but there are no takers at the rate. We still quote 12s. to 13s. per ton, all round.

EXCHANGE opened with a quiet feeling at 1s. 3 7-32d. for Bank Telegraphic and Demand, and at 1s. 3 13-16d. for three months' sight Credits, a small amount of business having been done at the former rate. Merchants' Bills have been scarce, and could be placed at 1-32d. less than the opening rates; and we close quiet as follows:—

Bank Bills on Demand	1s. 3 3-16d.	per rupee
Do. Telegraphic	1s. 3 3-16d.	do.
Do. 3 months' sight	1s. 3 7-32d.	do.
Credits do.	1s. 3 3-8d.	do.
Francs do.	1·62	do.

GOVERNMENT PAPER, after opening at 100 5-8 for 3½ per Cents. for Money and Account, advanced therefrom to 100 15-16 and 100 7-8 in the two positions, respectively; but rates receded again thereafter, and closed at 100⅝; Threes being quoted at 98, nominal.

SHARES.—We have this evening to report the following changes in prices:—In Bombay and Burmah, an advance of Rs. 50, in the first issue, and Rs. 15 in the second; Tapti Valley Railway, a decline of Rs. 2¼; New Great Eastern Mill, a decline Rs. 30; Manockje Petit and Cuina, Rs.

TELEGRAMS.

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

MR. CURZON AT MANCHESTER.

LONDON, Dec. 2.

Mr. Curzon, speaking at Manchester, last night, said that the brilliant issue of the London campaign was a happy augury of future triumphs.

He believed that the irritation felt in England against Germany had entirely subsided.

With regard to the Transvaal, he said that the solution of the problem depended more upon the wisdom displayed at Pretoria than in London.

ITALY AND ERYTHREA.

ROME, Dec. 1.

In the Chamber of Deputies, to-day, the Marquis di Rudini stated that it was not yet time to come to a final decision in regard to Erythrea, which he regarded as a permanent danger.

Parliament, he said, must decide the future policy to be followed in that quarter according to the true interests of the country, which could never attain greatness while engaged in colonial enterprises, which were disproportionate to its resources.

THE DARDANELLES AGITATION.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 1.

The *St. Petersburg Bourse Gazette* demands the free passage of the Dardanelles for Russian ships alone and also the abrogation of the Treaty of 1840.

POONA ANNUAL REGATTA.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

POONA, Dec. 2.

The twenty-eighth Poona Annual Regatta will be held, on the 8th and 9th instant, at the Poona Royal Connaught Boat Club, Kirkee. The programme will include eleven races all together :—Challenge fours ; Service fours ; Inter-Regimental fours ; Scratch fours ; Senior sculls ; Double sculls ; Ladies and Gentlemen double sculls ; Handicap sailing race ; Ladies' Whiff race ; Junior sculls ; and Canoe race. Distance of double sculls, open to members of any Indian Boat Club, is half-mile. Distance to be rowed in each of the four-oared races is one mile.

The Challenge Fours has been won for the last nine years in succession by Poona. The present holders of the Service Fours are the Royal Engineers. Lieutenant Boileau is the Honorary Secretary of the Regatta.

REVERSION.

Captain Bond, Aide-de-Camp to Brigadier-General Gatacre, has been ordered to join his regiment, the King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry, at Nasirabad.

BANSDA NEWS.

(FROM A CORRESPONDENT.)

SURAT, Dec. 1.

The unveiling ceremony of the likeness of the late Nawab Mir Gulambaba, Khan Bahadur, C.I.E., chairman of the Gulambaba Mill, was performed, this evening, by his Highness the Maharaul Shri Pratapsingji Gulabsingji Raja Saheb of Bansda State, in the presence of a large gathering of representatives and shareholders, in a shamiana in the mill premises. After the ceremony was over, Rao Bahadur Bhimbhai Kirparam addressed the gathering, and with permission moved a proposal to raise subscription, under the patronage of the Maharaja, to help the poor sufferers of all castes and creeds against the present scarcity of grain. The proposal was received with acclamation, and Maharaja Pratapsingji offered a sum of Rs. 1,500, and nearly Rs. 6,000 were subscribed on the spot. A strong committee was appointed, and the meeting dispersed with hearty thanks to the Maharaja and Nawaba Mir Mirzafferhusseakhan and Mir Jafferalikhan, after the distribution of garlands and *pan sopari*. A band played during the evening.

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 1.

The Clan Line steamer Clan Macpherson left here, for Colombo, Madras, and Calcutta, this morning.

LONDON, Dec. 1.

The Clan Line steamer Clan Macdonald arrived here this morning.

SUEZ, Dec. 1.

The P. and O. Company's steamer Massilia, from Colombo, arrived here, this morning.

NAPLES, Dec. 1.

The B. I. S. N. Company's steamer Goorkha left here this evening.

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL NEWS.

LONDON, Dec. 1.

The Liverpool Cotton Market closed firm. Surats firm.

Good Dholleras	3 24-32
The Manchester Market has been steady.	
2½ per cent. Consols	111⅛
3 per cent. Rentes	101
3½ per cent. Sterling Loan	119½
3½ per cent. Rupee Paper	63 1-8
Bar Silver	29 7-8

THE IMPENDING FAMINE.

The distress caused by the heavy rise in prices of grain is keenly felt among poor Mahomedans, and this can be demonstrated by the fact that daily lads are coming to find support in the asylum or the poor-house founded by Mr. Haji Jakeria Haji Ahmed Patel. Mr. Oomer Jamal has now charge of such lads whose parents are unable to support them. Mr. Oomer Jamal and Khan Bahadur Cassum Mitha provide employment to those who can work, while others whose parents are kept in the Alkeria Orphange for the Mahomedans. The Committee of Mahomedans who sent a respectful representation to Government that such helpless and destitute Mahomedan children that may be found in districts or in charge of Missionaries might be sent to them, have now received a reply from the Government that the "application has been sent to the Collectors of the affected districts with a request that assistance solicited may be given so far as practicable, and that Government will have pleasure in aiding that benevolent project." A copy of the order is also sent to the Political Department for such action as may be deemed advisable.

THE REPORTED RIOT AT KARJAT.

Mr. A. F. Maconochie, I.C.S., Acting Collector, Kolaba, writes to us from Alibag :—"My attention has been drawn to a letter from some unnamed correspondent, published in your paper of the 30th instant, stating that a grain-riot had occurred at Karjat, that a large mob had stoned the grain dealers there, who promptly closed their shops, and that it was with difficulty that the authorities had restored order and prevented looting. I beg to inform you that there is no truth in this statement, and that no commodation has taken place at Karjat."

RAILWAY FACILITIES.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—I am sorry to trouble you with another letter on the above subject, but I learn since writing, yesterday, that a train for Virar, which would prove a great convenience to Bombay folks, were it made to run from Kolaba, is set down in the revised time-table to run from Bandora. Surely, this is a mistake. I trust the Traffic Manager of the B. B. and C. I. Railway, will kindly run the said train to suit the convenience also of residents of Bombay.—Yours, &c.,

Dec. 2. H. C. A.

MILITARY NEWS.

LIEUTENANT J. S. M. HARCOURT, Royal Dublin Fusiliers, to be Officiating Wing Officer on probation.

LIEUTENANT T. D. BROUGHTON, R. E., on arrival in India, joins the Rangoon section of the Indian Submarine Mining Company.

BRIGADIER-GENERAL R. WESTMACOTT, C. B., is posted to the Nagpur District, and Colonel H. S. Sandy, Colonel on the Staff, to Nasirabad.

LIEUTENANT-COLONEL R. O. LLOYD and Major T. Digby, R. E., Military Works Department, are posted to the Bengal and Madras Commands respectively.

THE following appointments are made :—21st Madras Pioneers.—Lieutenant A. C. Perkins, 1st East Kent Regiment, to be Officiating Wing Officer on probation. 5th Bombay Cavalry.—Lieutenant A. F. Hislop, Supernumerary on the establishment, to be Squadron Officer, vice Cobham, transferred to 2nd Bombay Lancers, 42nd Gurkha Rifle.—Lieutenant F. H. Norie, Supernumerary on the establishment, to be Wing Officer vice Lugard seconded. 12th Bengal Cavalry.—Lieutenant H. M. W. Souter, Manchester Regiment, to be Officiating Squadron Officer on probation. 10th Madras Infantry.—Lieutenant A. Beddin from 21st Madras Pioneers to be Officiating Wing Officer on probation.

FOREIGN TELEGRAPHIC SERVICE.

Latest dates of foreign messages received at Bombay, from the United Kingdom, during the 24 hours ending, at 8 p.m., of the 2nd December, 1896.

(Difference in Longitude allowed for.)

Via.	Latest Dates. D.	H.	M.	Time occupied in transmission. Hours.	Minutes.
Turkey	2	2	2, p.m.	...	25
Teheran	2	2	2, p.m.	...	25
Suez	2	2	8 p.m.	5	7

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FINANCE AND COMMERCE.

(FROM OUR COMMERCIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, Nov. 13.

Discussing the financial aspects of the present scarcity in India the leading Manchester paper remarks that it is certain that large demands will be made upon the financial resources of the Government. Private beneficence on the part of well-to-do natives and Indo-Europeans may be expected, as on former occasions of this kind, to be generously afforded, and if the suffering should be exceptionally great and widespread British subjects at home and in the colonies are not likely to withhold assistance. During the famines in Southern India of 1876-78 not less than £636,000 was voluntarily subscribed in Great Britain for the relief of the sufferers, of which more than £90,000 was forwarded directly from Lancashire and Yorkshire ; Australasia and other colonies contributing upwards of £53,000. But the burden will rest mainly upon the Government. And this will fall not only in the shape of actual expenditure, but also in that of loss of revenue. For where there are no crops no land revenue can be paid. In 1877 and 1878 the loss in the province of Madras alone under this head was more than £1,000,000 per annum, although a portion of it was recovered in the two following years. The expenditure of the Government in famine relief was £2,145,000 in 1877 and £5,346,000 in 1878. It is not likely that the disaster now apparently in sight will involve anything like so large an outlay as that of the latter of these years, and it may not approach even the former sum. Nor is it necessary that any serious disturbance should happen in the finances of the current or of next year. Under the so-called Famine Insurance Fund, for which provision was begun in 1875, the Government has power to borrow money to the extent that the portion of the revenue set aside for this purpose has been used for paying off debt. Whilst, therefore, the evidently impending failure of the winter harvests throughout a large portion of the northern half of India will undoubtedly bring a good deal of suffering and more or less loss to the Government, and will demand great vigilance and activity on the part of its officers, there is no ground for anticipating the disastrous consequences, especially with regard to loss of life, which occurred in 1876-78.

The Shanghai Chamber of Commerce has laid before the foreign envoys in Pekin certain proposals in regard to the duty to be levied by the Chinese authorities upon the raw cotton going from the interior to the new cotton mills established at the treaty ports under the sixth clause of the Treaty of Simonoseki, and upon the produce of these mills. These proposals have been made after consultation with those interested in the milling industry in Shanghai and the other treaty ports, and are in substance as follow :—Raw cotton brought down from any part of the interior to the treaty ports for use in the mills should be wholly free from transsit or terminal duties, except such transit duty as would be charged on imported raw cotton. The object of this is to put native and imported raw cotton on the same footing as regards transit duty ; and the proposal is entirely different from that laid before the Ministers by the Chinese authorities. Next, that the Excise duty on the produce of the mills should not exceed the import duty on foreign yarns, and should include the transit duty on native raw cotton brought down to the mills, and that the native-made yarn shall be charged no transit duty on its way back to the interior. This, again, is designed to put native and foreign yarn on the same footing as regards internal taxation, and is contrary to the Chinese proposal, which is that native yarn should be charged transit dues after paying Excise at the doors of the factory, while foreign yarn should be charged transit dues after paying Excise at the doors of the factory, while foreign yarn should not pay transit dues. Thirdly, that where local yarn is exported abroad it shall pay no export duty, the Excise covering this ; and, lastly, that raw cotton for the mills should be free of import duty, or that if import duty be payable the amount shall be deducted from the Excise on the manufactured yarn. The aim of these proposals, as will be seen, is to prevent the Chinese from taxing the yarn industry at home higher than imported yarns, and it is one of the many instances of topsy-turvydom in China that a body of foreign merchants could find it necessary to concert measures to prevent the Chinese Government from taxing native industry so as to place it at a disadvantage when compared with foreign imports. It is also to be remembered that the competitor the European merchants in China have in their eye is not Lancashire or even Bombay yarns of the better kind, but the Japanese yarns made from Chinese cotton. If the Chinese authorities are allowed to have their way the produce of the Chinese mills will have to pay much heavier duties than the Japanese yarn, although the cotton for the latter is first brought down from the interior of China, paying transit dues ; than exported, paying export duty ; then reimported in the shape of yarn, paying the import duty ; and finally sent up into the interior, paying a second set of transit dues. The Shanghai merchants say plainly that unless this absurd state of things is prevented the opportunity which China now has of entering the ranks of manufacturing countries will be lost.

Some time back a large sum was subscribed by French manufacturers and merchants to pay the expenses of pushing inquiry into openings for trade in Asia. It is said that the experts employed in this work have already sent home information of considerable value, but it is kept secret lest foreign rivals should profit thereby. Something appears to have leaked out, however, or the Bremen Cotton Exchange would scarcely have been in such haste to dispatch a similar commission of inquiry to Eastern Asia, at an estimated cost of 30,000 marks. There, then, is a direct challenge to Lancashire which ought to be taken up without a moment's delay. The prime purpose of the Bremen effort is to promote the interests of the textile branch of the cotton industry by discovering, if possible fresh markets for its products, and gaining entire possession of them from the first. It is a perfectly legitimate endeavour, but the County Palatine will be untrue to itself if it does not subscribe a much large sum for a similar purpose. Owing to the continuous progress made by India, China, and Japan in cotton manufactures, these markets are becoming more and more self-supplying, and unless fresh openings are discovered for Manchester goods, the outside demand will be certain to shrink, with results to the Lancashire operatives which need not be dwelt upon. But it is not in Asia alone that diligent search should be made ; all over the world, chances of trade are on offer which will assuredly be snatched by our commercial rivals if we suffer ourselves to be forestalled.

One of the problems in agricultural machinery which has been tackled—mainly with failure—by numerous inventors is that of designing a machine which will efficiently pick cotton from the cotton plant without wasting or injuring the material, or damaging the plants. The necessity for such a machine as a substitute for hand labour has been felt principally in the United States ; but it has also been felt in Australia. A machine exhibited at the Atlanta Exhibition in 1885 picked the only field of cotton that had ever been entirely picked by machine, and demonstrated that it was possible to pick cotton in the green condition without injury to the plants. The machines will cost from £60 to £120. The success was such that the United States Senate called for the report made by an employe of the Patent-office to the Commissioner of Patents. This reporter stated thas very little of the open cotton was knocked out of the bolls, and about 94 per cent. of the cotton was picked off by the machine, the remainder being picked by hand, and weighed to ascertain its relation to the weight of cotton picked by the machine. A special committee, appointed by the directors of the exhibition, also examined the machine, and watched it at work. This committee reported that it picked and sacked 95 per cent. of the cotton on the plants without injury to leaf, bloom, or green boll, the samples being declared by experts to be fully equal to the average of hand-picked cotton. The report stated that the machine was practical and successful, and in view of the revolution of existing conditions that will follow the introduction of a machine, a special gold medal was awarded to the makers. The machine is built on the Campbell patents, and three have been put in service by the American Cotton Picker Company, while inquiries have already been received from Australia.

Some recently issued statistics show that on the average of the last 10 years, the increase in the consumption of raw cotton is : Great Britain, 12·19 per cent. ; the Continent, 50·00 per cent. ; the United States, 41·16 per cent. ; and India, 119·24 per cent. On the average of the five years preceding this year, Great Britain shows an increase of 2·95 per cent. ; the Continent, 14·94 per cent. ; and India, 20·89 per cent. ; the United States showing a decrease of 3·6 per cent. ; the increase in spindles for the five years being : Great Britain, 1·45 per cent ; Continent, 8·50 per cent ; United States, 9·14 per cent ; and India, 13·69 per cent. The number of spindles in Great Britain for 1895 is put down at 45,400,000 ; the Continent, 28,250,000 ; United States, 16,133,000 ; and India 12,810,000.

The figures of export trade for the three months and the nine months ended September 30 show that the alterations in the currents of exports are very considerable when comparison is made with the corresponding statistics for last year. The total exports of British productions to foreign countries and to the colonies during the nine months of 1895 and 1896 were :—

	1895 £	1896. £	Increase in 1896. £
To foreign countries.....	115,418,581	118,114,603	2,696,027
To British colonies and dependencies	166,620,437	180,436,153	13,815,716
Total.....	£282,039,018	£298,550,761	£16,511,743

The increase here presented in the exports to foreign countries is at the rate of only 2·3 per cent., whilst that in the exports to British possessions is at the rate of 4·9 per cent. The main cause of the much less favourable result in the former branch of our external trade is the very great falling off in the shipments to the United States, Turkey, and some other countries. The falling off in the case of the United States alone is not less than £5,088,487, of which £2,748,942 occurred in the three months from July 1 to September 30, and most of it may be attributed to the depression in the American home trade, which, though an ordinary incident of a Presidential election year, has on this year been unusually accentuated. The decrease in the shipments to Turkey occurs mainly in those entered under the head of European Turkey, including Constantinople. Our trade with the Levant ports has, in fact, been very active for some time past, and it is not surprising to find that the amount put down as exported to Asiatic Turkey is £919,032 in the three months ended September 30, as against £730,927 in 1895, the increase being £188,105. The exports during the nine months to Russia, Germany, France, Holland, Belgium, Denmark, and Scandinavia exhibit a substantial increase. It is evident, therefore, that, apart from the trade with the United States and European Turkey, there has been during the year, as a whole, a tendency to enlargement in our exports to foreign countries.

In the trade with British possessions the most striking instance of increase is that of India, to which the shipments during the nine months have reached £22,726,736, against £18,251,128, showing an augmentation this year of £4,475,608, or more than 25 per cent. In view of the present state of the Indian trade and of the threatened famine, this rate of expansion is not at all likely to be maintained, and it may possibly give place to a decrease in succeeding months. A more encouraging feature in the figures before us is the striking growth this year in the exports to Australasia. Generally, indeed, our export trade with British colonies and possessions gives evidence of substantial growth this year as a whole. It must, however, be remembered that the increase occurred during the earlier rather than the later portion of the year. It will be interesting to see whether the closing quarter will show a reaction from the slackening tendency which the returns for the more recent months have indicated.

A further consignment of samples representing the goods of foreign make which compete with home products in the English Colonies have been on view at the rooms of the London Chamber of Commerce. On this occasion the contributions to the instruction of British manufacturers come from Lagos, Cyprus, and Jamaica, and they include cotton goods and woollens. The natives of Lagos seem to have a strong predilection for German twine, which has a smooth, shiny surface. The sample of it shown does not differ greatly from that in common use in this country. Nearly all the cotton goods used in Lagos are of British make. In one department of these goods English manufacturers have German rivals, who equally with the British turn out cottons with an oil finish, which gives greater substance to the material, and deepens the colours more nearly to the shades used by the natives in dyeing the cotton clothes produced on their own coasts. The price varies from 3d. to 4d. per yard. "Patent velvet" is also imported from Germany, and the price, free of duty, is 1s. 4d. to 1s. 6d. It is said that an article of the same quality, finish, and appearance cannot be obtained from British markets at this figure. Cotton goods from England are much preferred in Cyprus, other imports being apparently maintained principally because foreign merchants will give the credit refused by British houses. Four to six months' credit is commonly given, and a discount of 10 to 30 per cent. is, it is said, by no means uncommon. Among the samples submitted are some of French leather, more comfortable to wear in a hot, dry country, and easier to work than English. In this connection it may be remarked that Egyptian tanneries send a good deal of cheap leather to Cyprus. The chief collector of Customs in Cyprus reports that cheapness, not quality, is the ruling factor. It remains to be seen whether English traders will depart from their present standard of excellence, and produce articles which, though much poorer in quality, are yet sufficiently good to meet the wants of countries whose standards of taste and comfort are lower, to put it mildly, than our own.

Once again rumour is busy with regard to the indemnity which will be demanded by the Transvaal Government in connexion with the Jameson Raid. There is as yet no confirmation of the cablegram received by the *Standard and Diggers' News* that the Government has decided to claim a million sterling, and it is understood that the Chartered Company has received no notification of such a demand. This does not, of course, mean that there is no truth in the report. That a demand would be made has, of course, been fully expected, but the amount spoken of as a rule has generally been from about a quarter to half a million sterling, and a million is much beyond anything that had been calculated upon. With regard to the justice of some claim there can be no question, but as to the amount there is a disposition in many quarters to regard a million as excessive. It must not be forgotten, however, that throughout President Kruger has acted with great forbearance, and it may reasonably be assumed that he at least will see just ground for whatever demand may be made, more is hoped, even if such a claim has been formulated, that the matter will be compromised. Quite late yesterday afternoon the report referred to above was current in the market, and it had the effect of knocking down the price of Chartered shares to about 2½. This is not to be wondered at, seeing that the claim is so much larger than had been expected. If the amount is as stated, and if the responsibility of providing the amount should fall upon the Company, it will naturally mean that the company will very shortly have to avail itself of the power of raising a further amount of capital. It is at present, it will be borne in mind, only issuing half the amount authorised by the shareholders, namely, half a million shares at the price of £2, which will give it an effective million, but a portion of this at least is wanted for development purposes, and the company therefore will not be in a position to hand over so large an amount as a million in the way of indemnity without issuing more shares.

ARRIVAL OF THE TRANSPORT BRITANNIA.

The Indian Troop Service Transport Britannia, Captain James L. Parfitt, R. N. R., arrived in harbour, yesterday morning, from Southampton, which port she left on the 11th November, calling at Malta, on the 18th, Port Said on the 21st, and Suez on the 22nd ultimo. She has brought No. 33 Company, Southern Division R. A., for Rawalpindi, and 1 draft of various Regiments consisting of 84 officers, 16 ladies, 3 children, 6 warrant officers, 8 women, and 19 children, 1,205 non-commissioned officers and men, 62 women, and 48 children. She had a fine passage throughout the voyage. The following is the list of officers :—

FROM SOUTHAMPTON TO BOMBAY.

Lieut-Col and Mrs W H Little and daughter.
Capt D W Churcher, R I Fusiliers
Lieut and Qr-Mr W Holbourn
E Lancs Regt
Surg-Major and Mrs R R H Moore, A M Staff
Surg-Major T M Reid, A M Staff
Surg-Major and Mrs T R Barefoot and child, A M Staff
Surg-Major and Mrs S F Freyer, A M Staff
Surg-Capt C T Healy, A M Staff
Surg-Capt C B Martin, A M Staff
Surg-Lieut A E Master, A M Staff
Surg-Lieut G L Browning, A M Staff
Surg-Lieut E S Clark, A M Staff
2nd-Lieut R Haig, 16th Lancs
2nd-Lieut T A C Forbes, 16th Lancers
2nd-Lieut C E St T Harris, 16th Lancers
Lieut and Mrs H G H Kenbard and child, 5th Dragoon Guards
2nd-Lieut Q E M Saunders, 5th Dragoon Guards
2nd-Lieut G O S Home, 5th Dragoon Guards
Capt and Mrs A Parker, 5th Lancers
Capt E R R Caryon, 18th Hussars
2nd-Lieut E H Bayford, 18th Hussars
2nd-Lieut S S Binny, 19th Hussars
Capt E Malcolmson, R W Surrey
Lieut and Mrs H R Bottomley R W Surrey
Capt D M Stuart, R Scots Fus
Lieut E H L Stracey, 1st Norfolk Regt
Lieut G H B Frueth, 2nd Lanc Fus
Capt and Mrs A Nelson, 1st Bedford
2nd-Lieut H P Strong, 1st Bedford
2nd-Lieut E G Sexton, 1st Bedford
Lieut W F O Wemyss, Scottish Rifles
2nd-Lieut N M Tod, Scottish Rifles
Lieut G C Grahame, 2nd H L I
Capt G N Prindergast, K R Rifles
Capt P Ashworth, R E
Lieut T D Broughton, R E
Lieut O F Stewart, 3 Dur L I
Vety-Maj and Mrs B A W Powell, A V Dept
Vety-Lieut F W Rudd, A V Dept
Capt Ross, R L I
Vety-Lieut and Mrs W N Wright and child, A V Dept
Vety-Lieut W O C Dawson, A V Dept
2nd-Lieut O F N Browne, R A
2nd-Lieut O F White, R I Rifles.
2nd-Lieut R W M Stevens, R I Rifles
2nd-Lieut O T W Hobbs, 2nd Derby
2nd-Lieut H K Attfield, 2nd Derby
2nd-Lieut G P Grant, 2 Border
2nd-Lieut A M Collard, D of C L I
2nd-Lieut G E M Hill, E Lanc
2nd-Lieut C M Stephen, 1st Cheshire
2nd-Lieut A T Allardyce, 2nd Lanc Fus
2nd-Lieut C E Bruce, 2nd Lanc Fus
2nd-Lieut R A Rice, 1st Som, L I
2nd-Lieut L A Jones Mortimer, 1st Som, L I
2nd-Lieut C E Wilford, 1st R Scots
2nd-Lieut W Drydale, 2nd Ryl Scots
2nd-Lieut C T B Daubeny, 2nd Essex Regt
2nd-Lieut W G Hutchinson, Unattached List
2nd-Lieut G N S Keene, Unattached List
2nd-Lieut R A Lyall, Unattached List
Hon-Capt S Smith, Beng Ord Dept
Ho.-Lieut T Southan, Mad Ord Dept
Miss M Loch, Indn Nursing Service
Miss L M Derham, Indn Nursing Service
Capt H C Russell-Oldnall, R A
Lieut G E Cartez, A
2nd-Lieut W J F Hughes, R A
2nd-Lieut H J Mackey, R A
Lieut J B Bowring, I S Corps
Lieut and Mrs R G Baglo., I S Corps
Lieut C G Ewart, I S Corps
Lieut T A F. R Oldfield, I S Corps
Lieut W G Wyndham, R I Marine
Capt L G N Eales, 1st E Kent
Lieut W A Easton, E Lanc
Lieut H Maclear, R A
Mrs Boyd, A M Staff
Surg-Capt H A Stalkart, A M Staff
Surg-Capt A B Hinde, A M Staff
Mrs Molesworth, 1st Wilts
Capt R H P Snow, Unattached List
Rev T J Garniss, Army Chaplain
Rev M Lawrenson, Army Chaplain

FROM MALTA.

Lieut Brewer, R A

FROM SUEZ.—Surg-Capt G F H Marks, A M Staff.

H. E. THE VICEROY'S TOUR.

PROCEEDINGS AT INDORE.

[BY TELEGRAPH.

(FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

INDORE, Dec. 2.

The Viceroy arrived, last evening, and was received by the Maharajah Holkar, the Resident, Colonel Barr, General Nicholson, and other officers at the station. To-day, twelve Chiefs visited his Excellency, who returned the visits in the afternoon.

This evening a banquet was given in the palace to the Viceroy and Lady Elgin, and a large number of guests. His Highness proposed the health of the Queen-Empress, which was duly honoured. His Highness then proposed the health of the Viceroy in the following terms :—It is with feelings of sincere pleasure and gratitude I welcome his Excellency to the capital of my State. I esteem his Excellency's visit as a very great honour, as affording mean opportunity of receiving and welcoming in the person of her august representative her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen-Empress of India. It gives me the sincerest pleasure to welcome to Indore her Excellency Countess of Elgin, in whom I see the representative of those womanly virtues of her Majesty which have enshrined her in the hearts of the teeming millions of India. The even-handed justice of her Government and the era of peace and prosperity which it has inaugurated have created ties of loyalty, too strong to be easily shaken. It has always been, and shall ever be, my highest ambition to remain firm in my loyalty to the British Crown. My best thanks are also due to his Excellency personally for the kind help I have uniformly received at his Excellency's hands. I am very deeply indebted to their Excellencies for your graciously accepting my hospitality this evening. Ladies and gentlemen, I now ask you to drink long life, happiness, and prosperity to their Excellencies the Viceroy and Countess of Elgin.

His Excellency having replied, he proposed the health of the Maharaja. The Viceroy said he might claim the Maharajah as one of his oldest friends in India, having met him in Bombay the day of his arrival, and been invited to Indore. On that occasion he promised his Highness that if any matter respecting the State came before him he would give it the best consideration, and would always keep that promise. The Maharaja told him to-day that he would have little to see at Indore but loyal hearts, and unquestionably Indore would next year take the foremost place amongst those desiring her Majesty's reign to be prolonged and prosperous—a sentiment which was loudly cheered.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

INDORE, Dec. 1.

The Indore station of the Holkar State Railway has been decorated with flags and pinions floating over the building in all directions like the waving handkerchiefs of a welcoming populace. The platform has been covered with Indian jajams and lined with clean white sheets, fresh from the market, and interspersed at measured intervals with warm red broad cloth to mark out the passages by which his Excellency the Viceroy and his Highness the Maharaja are to pass to and from the saloon to the gorgeous state carriage, lined with valuable silks, decorated with silver and gold mountings, and drawn by an excellent team. On one side of the platform is an enclosure with chairs for the European ladies and gentlemen—spectators who have the privilege of being invited to welcome the august guest. On the other side is situated another enclosure equally beautifully occupied by the Native spectators in their picturesque and varied dresses. In front of the spot marked out for the expected saloon there stands a crowd of princes, chiefs, and sardars, with their Ministers and Members of Council, with jewelled necklaces, valuable dresses, and decorative arms hanging down their belts or held in their left hands in right Oriental fashion. Maharaja Holkar's guard-of-honour in its full dress and his band in regulation uniform, stand upright ready to fire the volleys and to strike up the musical salute. Floral and foliage decorations all over the place, among which are being rare palms reared by the Maharaja in his Lalbag which serve to soften down the loud colours of the dresses of some of the Indian princely visitors who have appropriately found standing room near the fresh foliage. On the other side of the platform, photographers are busy adjusting their cameras and fixing and refixing their focuses. The whole group taken together is an excellent study for an artist, but it is impossible to take its impression on a single plate, and therefore the confusion and hurry of the selection of important groups seems to have completely engrossed the attention of the disciples of bright and fresh Daguerre. On the arrival of the train, his Highness the Maharaja stepped forward and welcomed his august guest, presented his Minister, Rai Bahadur Nanakchand, his sardars, and the members of his Council. Colonel Barr, the Agent to the Governor-General, presented to the Viceroy the rulers of Central India, and his Political assistants. Outside the platform was a row of carriages, with excellent horses, costly harness, and finely-dressed coachmen. Beyond this row, innumerable guards-of-honour, mounted and unmounted escorts, richly caparisoned elephants, and uniformed crowds of spectators filled the right of the line. Their Excellencies took their seats and were driven to the Residency along a road beautifully decorated with flags, pinions, and triumpal arches, and lined by troops.

The Viceroy alighted in front of the Residency, a spacious building, occupied by Colonel Barr. In front of the Residency a quadrangular encampment in the shape of a canvas city has been raised, and most tastefully arranged by Captain Norman Franks, C.I.E., the indefatigable tutor, friend, and secretary of the Maharaja. Grand new tents and shamianas from the Elgin and other mills of various shapes and sizes, so beautifully arranged as to give one the view from the Viceroy's window in the Residency, are furnished, in the best possible style, with costly furniture and fabrics borrowed from the places, not actually occupied at present, and supplemented by Messrs. John Roberts and Co. with the best specimens of their workmanship of of each kind. Outside the tents are footpaths interspersed with gardens, raised from pots and tubs, containing palms, crotons, ferns, and shrubs innumerable. Each guest has his own tent assigned to him, and a sign board signifies the temporary proprietorship. The immense trouble Captain Franks has taken in suitably, tastefully, and comfortably arranging and furnishing this camp deserves special mention and special recognition. Messrs. Peliti and Co. of Calcutta have been placed in charge of the boarding arrangements, and the mere mention of the reputed firm is sufficient to ensure confidence in the minds of the honoured guests.

DEC. 2.

As the sun rose above the horizon, the official ceremonies of state etiquette began, and a party of high officers of the Holkar Durbar, escorted by a detachment of Cavalry, left the palace to enquire after the health of his Excellency the Viceroy and Lady Elgin. At 9-30, his Highness the Maharaja started with his Sardars and members of Council, and was received at the carriage near the Residency by Captain Newmarch, as he arrived with the second Assistant to the A. G. G., who was deputed to receive him at the boundary stone of the British camp, about half-a-mile from that building. Amid the usual salutes the Maharaja was received at the head of the stairs by Colonel Barr, and in the Durbar by his Excellency Lord Elgin, who stepped forward and shook hands with his Highness at the further end of the cloth of gold spread on the floor. After the presentation of nazars by the Durbars and the distribution of attar and pan, the Maharaja returned to the palace. The streets between these historic buildings have been decorated with flags, bannerets, huntings, triumphal arches, and gudhis, or sacred flags, made of the best fabric by each inhabitant of the roadside houses, topped by a silver or brass pot —in token of the most sincere pleasure the ryots of Indore have felt at the Viceroy's visit.

From the boundary stone to the palace the roads were lined by the Maharaja's infantry, and in front of that stupendous Indo-Saracenic structure, seven stories high, looking like an ancient castle, the British and Durbar guards-of-honour and bands were filed in their full dress—in the midst of decorations of the most admirable desepription.

The Viceroy and party arrived at the old palace, and amongst the noise of salutes, hurrahs, and bands, entered the large quadrangle to witness a spectacle at once unique and grand. The eastern and western sides of this grand structure are built of solid stone, while on the southern and northern sides excellent wood-carving of the type seen at Nasik predominates among arches of the Indo-Saracenic School of Architecture. The eastern gate is the largest and most elaborately carved archway, through which the largest elephants can easily pass in and out, with the high howdas on their backs. It reminds one of Futehpore Sikri. As soon as the State marriage of the Viceroy passed through this stupendous gateway, it wheeled round a pyramid of flowerpots, laurels, and ferns, and turned to the right to pass along the most beautifully decorated carved wood work, studded with trophies of Indian arms, and shown to advantage on a background of buff or light yellow curtains of cotton prints in gold leaf with the Maharaja's flag floating in the centre of each arch topped over by a row of crossed spears, pinions, and flags. The western arcade is the chief attraction of the place as it is in a ball-in this Gotho-Corinthian monstrosity that the Durbar-hall is situate. Sir George Birdwood would have condemned it in stronger terms if he were to describe it. Beyond its high walls and large capacity, it has absolutely nothing to recommend it. But thanks to Mr. Gupte's skill and extensive experience in exhibition matters, even this eyesore has been transformed into a fairyland. He has covered the whole of the place with gold prints and palace-curtains, supplied by Messrs. Lazarus and Co., of Calcutta, is such harmonious colours and graceful folds that none of the hybrid arches are visible. Among the tints selected light yellow, pale blue, and light pink predominated. On the top of each of the hidden Corinthian caps, badly designed and primitively carved, is placed a painting by the best masters of Europe or portraits of the former Viceroys of India, among whom Lord Dufferin, Lord Lytton, Lords Ripon and Lansdowne catch the eye. On the other side of the arcade, on tops of similar caps, are Raja Ravivarma's Lakshmi, the Goddess of Wealth ; Saraswati, the Goddess of Science and Art ; Damayanti, the Indian mythological model of womanly virtue and chastity, placed to the right of Queen Victoria's portrait as a significant indicator of her Majesty's characteristics ; and Krishna, the Indian prototype of the Grecian Pan or shepherd God. The principal hall has—among Messrs. Logams and Co.'s costly handwoven flowered plush velvet curtains, topped over by light blue gold prints—another series of valuable old paintings in portraits and landscapes, among which her Majesty the Queen-Empress, his Highness the late Maharaja Tukojirao, his Highness the present Maharaja Shivajirao, Sir John Malcolm, his Highness Maharaja Gaekwad, his Highness the late Maharaja of Jodhpore, his worthy brothers, and a number of other princely friends of the Maharaja, have all found suitable places. From the ceiling and from the arches an elaborate display of Oster and Co.'s chandeliers, wall-lamps, and charming flower-holders hang gracefully, and give the hall an excellent finish. The remaining western arcade is decorated with silk and gold Japanese scrolls and curtains of exquisite make. Along the cornice of the high walls of the hall is a scarlet festoon in gold prints with a fine row of Japanese cranes ; and among the folds of the festoons are gold fish. A number of wall Chinese fans also stand out to add to the beauty of the arrangements. In the midst of these surroundings his Highness the Maharaja Holkar received the Viceroy at the entrance of the first arcade, and in front of the Imperial Delhi Assemblage banner, and conducted him to the gold and silver sofa placed on a cloth of gold or *kinkhob*. After the usual ceremonial conversation and the presentation of attar, pan, and flowers, the Viceroy and party returned to the Residency with the usual escorts.

It has been declared on all sides by European as well as Native spectators that the old palace, its quadrangle, and its Durbar hall were never seen so splendidly and so tastefully decorated, but it is a matter of no surprise to us when we know that Mr. Gupte, of exhibition fame, was in charge of the arrangements. His Highness the Maharaja was so pleased with his skill that he has issued instructions to place henceforward all his palaces (and they are many) under his direct supervision. Bani Khumansing, C.S.I., the venerable retired Minister of Indore, Captain Newmarch, Dr. Coldecott, and Captain Norman Franks have all expressed their appreciation of the harmony of colours and general get-up of the palace.

MR. MHATRE'S STATUE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—Sir George Birdwood's criticisms on Mr. Mhatre's statue are somewhat unfortunate, though we have no fault to find with his appreciation of the work. The idea that Aryan or any other "instincts" can make an artist without the drudgery and study of the work of others, which have to be undergone by all artists, is amateurish to the last degree. A knowledge of anatomy, of the bones and muscles, of proportion, of texture, and the way to suggest it in plaster or marble, of all that is known as technique is only to be acquired by years of patient study. Without these genius the most transcendent is of no use at all. It is as impossible for any sort of instinct to write a masterpiece in any language without learning it, as to paint in that language. Not the greatest among Frenchmen could write as Robert Louis Stevenson, not the most able Englishman as Victor Hugo. Would anyone suggest that the great musicians could write for an orchestra without studying harmony and counterpoint? Could a poet sit down and write poetry by instinct? It is curious that the average amateur, like Sir George Birdwood, always does think that the power of imitating form in colour, line, monochrome, clay or marble is a "gift" and nothing more. There can be no greater mistake. What the instinct does is to give one the desire, and the comparative facility in learning that comes with the desire. It enables the student to learn more easily, but not to dispense with learning. It gives him originality, and the power to strike out a line

those who were responsible for the excellent training of the pupils, whose accent and pronunciation were very accurate. Gulamhoosein Rahimtulla, a student in the 5th standard, and Jehangir H. Vakil, of the 7th standard, performed their respective parts as King John and Arthur, Duke of Bretagne and claimant of the English Crown, in a careful manner. Dressing was most effective and realistic, and called forth loud praises from the assembly. The scenes represented were :—Negotiations before the walls of Angers, in France ; King John's plotting against Arthur's life ; the blinding scene ; the opposition of the nobles in England ; their renunciation of allegiance upon the discovery of the lifeless body of Arthur. The performance being over,

H. E. the Governor, who was received with loud cheers, said : Ladies and Gentlemen, and Boys,—I was so much interested in the acting that I forgot that I have given away prizes and that it was expected of me to make a few remarks. I almost tried to be let off, but I was not allowed to do so, and I have a very few words to say. I must say that it is extremely refreshing at times that finding ourselves in a state of certain anxiety for those connected with the Government to come to the festival day of a big school and to see so many faces around me of those who have not got very great responsibility on their shoulders. There is always something very pleasant to me, and no doubt it is very pleasing to you, about the close of time. There are those who have been successful—those who met successes in the games, and there is also satisfaction to those who work, that they are going to their holidays and to their friends. It is also to be remembered that while the holidays give a great satisfaction to the boys, there are those who are in want of rest—I was going to say of holidays. I wish to interfere with teaching, but looking after a large school like this is a work of drudgery and frequently an uphill game for those who undertake it. And so I am sure that a word of encouragement to masters here do not do it for and in doing it are not in receipt of large salary ; for the work they do is done for the love of God and love of mankind. (Applause.) There is that satisfaction after that of doing their duty is to know that after they have done their duty they observe satisfaction, which they see in the behaviour and study of those they have been teaching. Now, ladies and gentlemen, it need hardly be said after the report, which I have read, that it is a very satisfactory one for the school, which is one of large dimensions, the number being in excess of some twelve hundred boys, and it is a great responsibility to undertake the training of twelve hundred youths. I understand that in many cases contact is kept with many of the pupils who have left, in that interest in their career is well maintained. We know that the feeling of sympathy between the masters and pupils is very close indeed. I am one of those who think that the duty of the master to the boy does not close with the hour of the day, and under the influence of the master can follow the boy through all his pursuits as well as through his study. In that way the character of boys is formed and they carry many prospects in life where influence of masters is felt in the student's nature, and when kept entirely out of school room that influence falls very short of what it was. I have been much puzzled to understand how after the hours of study and after the enjoyment of recreation time has been found to make so perfect and admirable performance which we have just seen. I do not presume to criticize, because if I do so I should find myself put in the unpleasant position that King John found himself with the Barons. (Applause.) But I wish to leave as far as I can a pleasing impression as regards myself in this hall, and I do not wish to make a speech of one hundred people glaring at me in the way the unfortunate monarch did. But seriously those actors are to be congratulated heartily upon their performance. No one can say that their declamations lacked in vigour, and I think some parts which I will not particularise were admirably rendered. But as I have said, it puzzles me so much how time was found to perfect those performances that I venture to ask how it was done. I am informed that as I expected that it is a result of long and careful practice for about the last two months. I do not think this is letting out the secret, because it shows the interest one who takes a pride in his work and study but in the performance which is a recreation and pleasure to their friends. (Applause). Now, ladies and gentlemen, I have to say that it has given me great pleasure to have been able to find myself here, the second time last year I should say it would be impossible. It is usually the time when I am on tour, but as I find that matters of graver importance necessitated my coming to Bombay, I wrote to the Rector that I should be very glad to come this afternoon. (Cheers.) And it has been to me, as I think I said before in this hall, a regular half-holiday with the change of thought and change of scene. I have to wish continuous success to the St. Xavier's Institution and to congratulate the successful boys on their prizes, and with that I resume my seat. (Loud cheers.)

In proposing a vote of thanks to his Excellency the Governor, the Rev. Father Stein said that they were much thankful to his Excellency for the interest he took in the school. When the Governor paid a private visit to the institution, his Excellency had said that he was sorry that the annual function of distribution of prizes if he happened to be in Bombay on the occasion. For various reasons it was impossible to secure the presence of his Excellency, for either the school was closed in December or the Head of the Government was not in Bombay. Circumstances brought his Excellency to Bombay earlier than expected, and true to his word Lord Sandhurst at once wrote to him that he would be glad to be present at the occasion. Their hearty thanks are due to his Excellency, not only for his presence that day, which evinced his interest in their work, but for his kind appreciation of their labours. He was sure that all present, attached to the students because for their love of God. They educated not only their own creed, the Roman Catholics, but also Parsees, Hindus, and Mahomedans, many of whom had received their education in the college and in the foremost in different walks of life, and the wish master for great success to the St. Xavier's College. They must have noticed on the words A.M.D.G. inscribed on the new school building on Sandhurst Road, which meant "for the greater honour of God." That was the only motive for which they worked there. It was not to make money again, but for the pure object of honour of God that they were working. He again thanked his Excellency for being present on that occasion.

The playing of the National Anthem by the school orchestra terminated the interesting ceremony.

MUNICIPAL STANDING COMMITTEE.

At the usual weekly meeting of the Municipal Standing Committee, held yesterday afternoon, Dr. Bhalchandra presided, and there were also present : Messrs. H. G. Gell, C. V. Muller, S. Rebsch, Fazulbhoy Visram, K. N. Kabraji, K. M. Shroff, Harkisondas Narotamdas, Ibrahim Rahimtula, Dr. N. N. Katrak, Dr. A. G. Viegas, and the Hon. Mr. A. M. Dadamsi.

A CONTROVERSY.

The Committee considered memorandum from the Commissioner, forwarding for information of the Committee and the Corporation letter to himself from Mr. James W. Smith, Special Drainage Engineer, being Executive Engineer, in connection with explanations with reference to the data supplied to Mr. H. A. Acworth, C.I.E., in connection with the preparation of his history of the drainage and sewerage of Bombay.

Dr. Viegas observed that the time of the Committee ought not to be wasted on considering papers of a controversial character.

Mr. Ebrahim Rahimtulla was of opinion that such papers ought not to have been brought before the Committee.

Professor Muller remarked that the proper course for Mr. Smith was to have sent his paper to newspapers for publication. It was merely a matter of opinion.

The letter was forwarded to the Corporation for information.

THE BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR 1897-98.

The Committee proceeded to consider budget estimates for 1897-98, prepared by the Municipal Commissioner.

Dr. Viegas, in opening the discussion, remarked that perhaps it was the first time they had Rs. 15,000 as surplus on the right side.

Mr. Katrak said that the budget seemed to have been framed in a very economic spirit.

Mr. Ebrahim Rahimtulla complimented the Commissioner on the care with which he had prepared the budget, and said that if it was proposed to pass the budget as before, he, for one, would not object.

The summary of income was passed as under :—Balance at the beginning of the year was passed at Rs. 20,25,000 ; general tax at Rs. 13,20,000 ; wheel tax and tolls, at Rs. 3,74,800 ; town duties at Rs. 9,13,000 ; receipts from municipal taxation for liquor licenses, at Rs. 143,750 ; receipts from Government for octroi duty, at Rs. 2,07,250 ; halalkhore tax, at Rs. 7,00,000 ; sweet tax, at Rs. 14,07,000 ; marked receipts, at Rs. 3,87,000. Interest on investments, recoveries of surplus loans and balances, at Rs. 1,50,000 ; licenses, at Rs. 70,000 ; and other smaller items, the whole aggregating to Rs. 88,35,100.

The Committee then rose.

THE INDO-AFGHAN FRONTIER.

DURBAR OF MOHMAND HEADMEN.

A TELEGRAM dated Peshawar, 29th November, says :—The Lieutenant-Governor of the Punjab held a durbar in his camp at Shabkadr on the 26th November for the representatives of the various sections of that portion of the Mohmand clan who have come under the political control of the British Government, under the Durand Agreement, with his highness the Amir. They had come in sometime previously to interview Mr. Mark, the Officiating Commissioner of Peshawar Division, and to settle the terms of allowances, etc., and the formal transfer was marked by the reception of the collective jirgahs.

The function was most successful, and was carried out with due ceremony. Guards-of-honour of the Queen's Own Corps of Guides, Cavalry and Infantry, and of the Border Military Police, were drawn up on one side of a shamiana in which seats were arranged for his Honour and suite. The Khanimen, who numbered more than one thousand, were at first marshalled at some distance from the camp, under Mr. Waterfield of the Border Military Police, with Abdul Qadyam, Superintendent, has acted under the Commissioner throughout the negotiations. Thence, shortly before the appointed time for the durbar, they were conducted to a space allotted for them outside the shamiana where they were seated on carpets.

On arrival in the durbar tent the Lieutenant-Governor was received with military honours, and having taken his seat he addressed the gathering in an impressive and effective speech. He conveyed to the jirgahs on behalf of the British Government the assurance that they had passed under British control and that such grants as they had hitherto received from the Kabul Government would be re-granted to them and maintained by the British Government. In return for these they were expected to render such services as Government might require from them and to be faithful and well conducted in their dealings with the British Government. A Pushtu translation of the speech was read to the members of the jirgahs by the Chief Secretary to Government.

The elsamdars were then asked if they had any questions to put, or any remarks to offer. Three or four minor matters were mentioned by them to which answers were given by the Lieutenant-Governor, and these terminated the proceedings.

Dec. 2.

Yours, &c.,

MERCHANT.

HORSE FAIRS IN THE N.-W.P.

The horse shows connected with religious festival have lately been held in connection with fairs at the various points of the chase Provinces, and from considered they must follow from which they must be.

The Bateser Fair was held to have been successful, was to continue till 29th, held on 17th November and 30th, it may be said that the falling off during day was Owing to the prevailing have closed much earlier, present at Batesar its scarcity, but few horses were that fodder was self ; this was due to the fact obtain; they, however, were of the best quality. Prices ranges and its were collected in the surrounding villages and remained not surprise us to hear that as many as Rs. 1,000 were obtained this year as the former occasions, and Rs. 500 were present and complained sadly of the prevailing scarcity ; they say that it is now next to impossible to march a batch of horses through the country, as fodder is unprocurable in many places, and in those in which it is obtainable, the prices asked are prohibitive ; for this reason large batches were brought down by rail from Amritsar, Ludhianah, Meerut, and other centres. Notwithstanding the expense which cannot be entailed by railing, still the prices ruled low, and we were particularly struck with the class of horse in the hands of the Native Cavalry Remount Officers ; if these can be obtained at their chunda price, the Silladar Cavalry will be well mounted as they can possibly wish to be. Captain Weller, 14th Bengal Lancers, appeared to be the biggest purchaser, and a finer batch of Remounts never left a fair to join a Native Cavalry regiment. Major Goad, the Remount Agent, Saharunpore, also bought a small but nice lot of young stock. There was one point which struck us most forcibly, and which we shall remember to have mentioned in years, this was the number of 3 and 4 year old mares that were offered for sale ; this must be due to the fact that the zamindars are unable to keep them ; and it is to be feared that the present dearth of fodder throughout the country must tell sadly on horse breeding.

Held simultaneously with Batesar, the Garhmuktesar Fair took place from 17th to 21st November, but the object of the latter was to foster, from a horse-breeding point of view, is totally different, the fact that the clash does not prove detrimental to the interests of Remount Officer, for whereas at Batesar mature horses are bought for Native Cavalry, at Garhmuktesar only young stock fit to be put in runs and reared are offered for sale, and as a young-stock market, this promises to be a most important centre ; this is entirely due to the exertions of Mr. Wyse, the Collector of Meerut, who has taken a lead-ing to induce the breeders to sell direct to purchasing officers. Two years ago, he decided to have the young stock of his district collected at Garhmuktesar at which thirteen had been a mule fair ; he has been most successful, and it could be impossible to wish for a better lot of youngsters than entered the show ring, they were fewer in number than last year, as many have fallen off in condition during the past few months and were not brought in, Captain Westlake, the Remount Agent at Babugarh, was able to purchase a very nice lot, and all many regiments who possess land and who are thus enabled to Pin a few head of young stock, may be safely recommended to visit this centre in future. Garhmuktesar is situated 28 miles from Meerut, but arrangements for it is are easily made, and the presence of Mr. Wyse, Collector of Meerut, ensures this fair a success, provides tents and has started a mess, which is managed by Pir Bux, of Meerut, and which leaves nothing to be desired.

As we have before said, Garhmuktesar was originally a mule fair, and as such it is worthy of the attention of Native Cavalry regiments who now have adopted mule transport. On this occasion, the 4th and 8th Bengal Cavalry, the Guides Infantry, Irregular Force, and the Tiwar Imperial Service Cavalry, were represented, and bought small batches, but the Commissariat Department represented by Lieutenant Lindsay bought over 80, and a better or more level lot of transport mules, at the average, given by that Department, could not be obtained. Amritsar has hitherto been looked upon as the best centre for the class of animal, but Garhmuktesar will prove a formidable rival for all regiments quartered below Meerut. More mules were obtained this year from the latter fair than could be purchased at Amritsar, where only 80 were obtained.—*Pioneer.*

TELEGRAPHIC LINE REPORT.

DECEMBER 2.

STATE OF INTERNATIONAL COMMUNICATION.

GREAT BRITAIN.—Via Teheran, perfect. Via Turkey, interrupted. Via Suez, perfect.
CONTINENT OF EUROPE.—Via Teheran, perfect. Via Turkey, interrupted. Via Suez, perfect.
AMERICA.—Via Brest, perfect. Via Valentia, perfect. Via Direct Cable, perfect.
AUSTRALIA.—Via Penang, perfect. Via Amoor, perfect.
CHINA.—Via Penang, perfect. Via Amoor, perfect. Via Shanghai, interrupted.
AFRICA.—Via Aden, perfect. Via Cadiz-Tenerife, perfect.
Via Lisbon-Via Vienna, perfect.
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Turkish route interrupted beyond Bassora.

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MR. BHOWNUGGREE, M.P.

(FROM A CORRESPONDENT.)

THE enthusiastic reception given at Bhownugger to Mr. M. M. Bhownuggree, Member of Parliament for N. E. Bethnal Green, has been already wired to you.

The mourning for the untimely death of the late Maharaja has not yet completely ended, and it was on Mr. Bhownuggree's express desire that on his way to Bhownugger the scene of much useful labour of his younger days, the place where he counts numbers of sincere friends and true admirers, no demonstrations in his honour should be held before he had paid his visit of condolence to the present Maharaja. Still at the station he was met by a large concourse of old friends, among them being the Dewan Saheb, the merchants headed by the Nagar Sheth, all the high officials of the state, and the representatives of the different communities. The warmth of the feeling with which he was greeted, and the immense popularity that he enjoys for the good he has done for the interests of the State, could not fail to impress one with the idea that he is regarded generally as a person who has deserved well of his country fully justifies the high position he now holds.

On his way to Naku Baugh from the station he got down from the State carriage that was specially sent by H. H. Maharajah Bhavsinjee, and visited the spot near the Gangajalia Talao, where the last remains of the late Maharaja were cremated. Before a Shiva-temple on a magnificent scale erected by his successor, a small temporary structure, called a Dehri here, is built on the spot hallowed as sacred ground where his mortal remains were cremated, and Shiva-temples raised to their memory. Mr. Bhownuggree, who was accompanied by the Dewan Saheb, placed flowers on the temple and was greatly affected. He then went to the Rajkot Talao to the sacred memory of the late beloved Maharaja.

The next day early in the morning he paid a visit to the present Maharaja and had a long and most cordial interview with him. The rest of the day was passed in receiving visitors.

Thursday was a day that will be memorable in the annals of Bhawnugger, as an elaborate address was presented to Mr. Bhownuggree by the citizens headed by the Nagar Sheth. The address to the public was held in the spacious hall of the High School which was tastefully decorated with flowers and palm leaves for the occasion. The hall was quite full and many found accommodation in the corridors.

Among those present were the following :—Mr. Vithaldas Samaldas, the Dewan Saheb, Mr. J. J. Gazdar, the Judicial Councillor, Col. T. Harris, Military Councillor, Mr. J. Kinloch, Mr. J. Muller, Dr. Burjorjee Beramjee, Principal Unvalla, Mr. C. S. Spalding, Capt. Godrich, Mr. Ghelabhai Jaggivandas, Mr. M. N. Ranina, and other Judicial Officials, Mr. Prabhashankar Dalpatram Patni, Private Secretary to His Highness, Mr. Ratilal C. Shah, Controller of Accounts, and his staff, Mr. Ratilal Manekilal, Huzur Secretary, Mr. Bhaputral Vithaldas Rajkharch Upri, and Revenue officers, Professor B. B. Ezekiel, and other Educational officers, Mr. Bhagwanbhai, the Nagar Sheth, and his sons, Mr. Prabhashankar ; Venishankar, Mr. Amercband Jasraj, Mr. Kuverjee Anundjee, Sidha Paraich Vethowanand Vaidia as far advanced, and the other members of the Mahajan community.

On the motion of the Nagar Sheth, the Dewan Saheb was called to the chair. In opening the proceedings, the Dewan Saheb made a few remarks on the objects of the meeting and expressed his great satisfaction at giving his old friend and colleague a warm welcome after his return from Parliament. He then called upon the Nagar Sheth (on whose behalf he is son, Mr. Parbhudas, performed the function) to read the following address :—

During the elections for Parliament last year the whole of India was grieved to learn of the non-success of the candidature of Mr. Dadabhai Naoroji—that great well-wisher and champion of our country. Soon after, however, the welcome news reached us that the object had been gained by N. E. Bethnal Green to that august assembly. And the fact that another Indian was fortunate to attain that high honour palliated, to a certain extent, the sorrow consequent upon Mr. Dadabhai's failure. But other consolation than you, and a sense of our duty, led us to rejoice over the happy event, and we immediately telegraphed congratulations to you and thanks to the electors of Bethnal Green. We also gave vent to our feelings of thankfulness by voting an address to you.

But our rejoicings at this your first appearance amongst us as an M.P. are naturally unbounded. We therefore beg to take this opportunity of mentioning the name of our worthy fellow-townsman and fellow-councillor of Bhownugger you had, owing to your high attainments, praiseworthy political foresight, and varied experience, succeeded in attaining the sincere confidence of our late lamented Maharaja Sahib. We mean that you had succeeded into the Judicial Department of this State are simply invaluable. Your venerable father, too, had rendered long and meritorious services to this State, and thus, owing to the above reasons, your family has, for the last two generations, been deservedly enjoying the surname "Bhownuggree." That a gentleman bearing that name should occupy a seat in the Imperial Parliament is indeed a matter of honour to our city, and we are thankful to God for the happy event.

By your able fight on behalf of India in the matter of the expenses of the Soakin expedition and other important questions, you have already proved yourself the able champion of the interests of India, who declared that your election would not prove beneficial to the interests of India. Your love for India and your good intentions for our welfare we suppose from the speech delivered at Aden, and we assure you that we perfectly appreciate your personal high character and your public actions.

Knowing how loyal you were to this State and to the British Government, our late lamented Maharaja was extremely anxious to see you raised to an exalted position, and we feel sure that had he been spared to be present here to-day, his love and joy would have known no bounds. But, alas ! we are sorry to have to state that Fate has ruled otherwise ; and the memory of our late lamented Maharaja casts a sorrowful gloom over all. The present Maharaja, however, is following in the footsteps of his worthy predecessor, and by his paternal and noble feelings for us, his subjects, has, in the short time during which he has been on the gadi, relieved us of the weight of sorrow.

We are sure that your ripe years, your experience, and a thorough mastery of Indian political questions of the administration of Native States and of their exact relations with the paramount power,—owing also to your accurate knowledge of the needs and feelings of the people, you will, in the public duty of discharging your duty towards your electors, continue, as heretofore, to keep at heart the well-being of the millions of India. Before separating, we, each and all, earnestly pray to God that he may be pleased to grant you a long life and success in all your undertakings.

The address was followed by a very learned poem in Sanskrit by a local scholar, Shastri Narwada Shankar, of the Jain Pathshala. He translated it into Gujrati, and his sentiments were highly applauded by the hearers. The address and poem were then handed by the chairman to Mr. Bhownuggree, who thereupon rose amid loud cheers and spoke as follows, his speech being listened to, with rapt attention, interrupted by cheers and frequent signs of approbation. He said :—Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,—To you, the Sheth Saheb, Many of the Judicial Residents of my old friends, I naturally wish to tender my most sincere thanks for this significant demonstration which you have been pleased to accord me. My paramount duty on arrival in the town on Tuesday night was to visit the resting place of the late illustrious Maharja Taghtsinghje, and now on my first facing a gathering of the inhabitants of Bhownugar, my primary melancholy function is to express my deep and great grief over the loss of his untimely death. Words fail me to describe even briefly the good qualities of his head and heart, but it is needless to dwell upon them before you who knew them so well. The great consolation in this hour of sorrow is, that you have for your ruler to-day the late Maharaja's son and successor, who had been in his boyhood so well trained by the solicitude of his father to fit him for the great position he was destined to occupy. I had a long conversation yesterday with his Highness, and it was most satisfactory to see how well he appreciated the responsibilities which his position, and how earnestly he had already set himself to the task of securing the welfare of his subjects. I have no doubt that he will prove a worthy successor to his honoured father, and I congratulate you on having such a ruler. (Loud cheers.) Thank you now for the address which you have just read, I confess I feel honoured by the sentiments you have expressed therein. A man is less known by his friends and those among whom he has passed his life, than by casual remarks and pronouncement whether of approbation or otherwise, and it is therefore no small matter of pride to me that you, most of whom have thus known me in years past, should express your joy at my election, and carry your sympathy with me. I have been able to do, and your confidence in me for the future. That is to my mind a sufficient reply, if reply were needed, to those unfriendly remarks which had been made by others particularly attached the Huzoor Court's sittings in this very room, and that of itself gave an incentive to the work which you and I had to perform. After I left, Mr. Dosabhai Framjee, our esteemed friend and colleague, the late Judicial Councillor of Bhownugger you had, owing to your high attainments, praiseworthy political foresight, and varied experience, succeeded in attaining the sincere confidence of our late lamented Maharaja Sahib. Remarks that I mentioned

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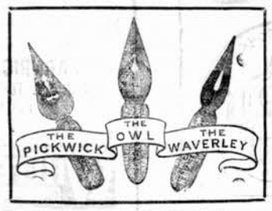

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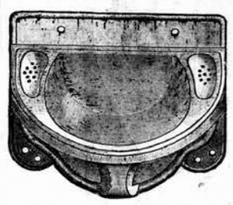

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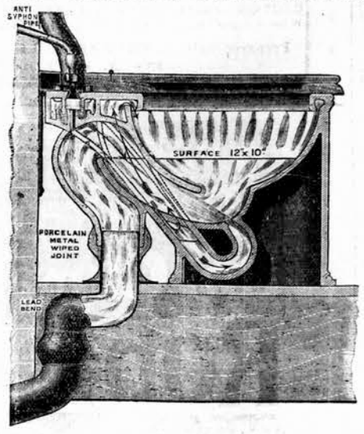

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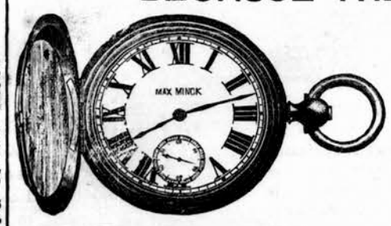

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